

School pupils in big revolt

This morning ...

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OVER 200,000 school pupils came out on strike on Thursday against Tory policies on cheap labour. See our assessment on page 8



Miners' strike bill still being paid

Trade crisis hits Tories

THE COST of fighting the miners' strike, together with a deepening of the slump, produced British capitalism's worst-ever trade figures last month.

There was a £900 million deficit between exports and imports, as compared with £270 million last month.

A massive surge in oil imports accounted for a large slice of last month's deficit. This rise was due to the arrival of extra orders from the Central Electricity Generating Board.

They would have been ordered in February while the miners' strike was in its 11th month and bought at dollar prices when the pound was weak against the US currency.

A major switch-over of coal-fired power stations to oil was a key factor in allowing the CEBG to avoid electricity cuts during the strike.

The cost to the Tory government was enormous, and the extra public borrowing helped knock out

tax cuts Chancellor Lawson was due to make in last month's budget.

Oil stocks were depleted during the strike and part of last month's purchases reflect restocking.

While British capitalism continues to pay hand over fist for confronting the miners over jobs for a year, there are other clear features which confirm the deepening of the slump.

There were sharp falls in car and chemical exports last month, indicating that manufacturing industry is unable to compete on declining world markets.

The continued decline of Britain as a manufacturing nation is shown in the fact that March saw a £700 million deficit in exports and imports of finished goods.

Shadow trade spokesman Bryan Gould said: 'Even selling off North Sea oil as fast as we can get it out of the ground can longer conceal the serious deterioration in our trading performance.'

BY PAUL FELDMAN

'The record trade deficit is the definitive judgement of international markets on the damage Mrs Thatcher's government has done to British industry.'

Chancellor Lawson and Prime Minister Thatcher go to Bonn next week for an economic summit with the British economy the weakest link in the capitalist chain.

North Sea oil output peaks this year, and the price continues to slide on the Rotterdam open market, intensifying the problems of the Tory government which is utterly dependent on oil revenues.

The sharp downturn in the American economy must lead to protectionist measures and trade war, in which British capitalism will be the loser.

Tensions between America and Europe surfaced yesterday when Lawson rejected suggestions by the US that other economies reflate and run budget deficits.

Lawson said it was 'the

last thing the rest of the industrialised world wants to do'.

He said the US deficit, running at around \$200 billion annually, was a 'major threat' to world growth. It had driven up interest rates and the dollar, and created a clamour for trade barriers.

Lawson made it clear that the Thatcher government would intensify its attacks on the trade unions, and wanted to see wage cutting all round.

He told West Country businessmen that Europe should pick up the 'baton of competition, deregulation and privatisation'.

It should 'reduce the burden of the state' and enlarge the role of market.

This meant 'reducing the excessive power of vested interests, above all the trade unions'.

The Tory Chancellor has told the Cabinet that there must be massive and immediate cuts in the whole range of social security benefits, including unemployment pay and rent and rates rebates.

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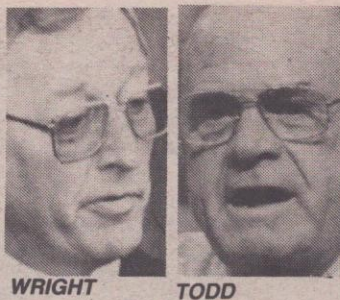
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WRIGHT TODD

THE FRESH election for the general secretary of the T&GWU transport union will be a straight contest between Ron Todd and right-winger George Wright.

Former contenders George Henderson and Todd Sullivan yesterday announced they would not stand, and urged their supporters to vote for Todd. Marie Patterson has resigned from union work since the elections last year.

Henderson won 39,599 votes (6.4 per cent) last year, while Sullivan won 32,905 votes (5.3 per cent) and Patterson 42,768 votes (6.9 per cent).

Henderson said yesterday he was unhappy about the press witch-hunt against the union. 'In my view it is no accident these attacks have taken place on the eve of union ballots on political funds.'

Media

'We should not allow our ballot to be used by our opponents. I do not believe the media should decide who will be the general secretary of this union,' he said.

In last year's ballot, Wright was beaten by nearly 45,000 votes. He claimed recently that there were irregularities in the voting and was supported by a major press campaign alleging ballot-rigging.

RTZ fund cut

THE GLC plans to sell its £4 million worth of staff pension fund shares in the giant mining company, Rio Tinto Zinc, which has extensive operations in South Africa and Namibia.

Finance Committee chairman John McDonnell said he hoped it would be 'just the start of other disinvestments by the GLC in companies with links with one of the world's most evil regimes'.

But he stressed that because of the legal obligations on the GLC as 'trustees' of the £900 million staff pension fund, his decision to recommend disinvestment in RTZ had been taken only after the most careful consideration of a wide range of independent financial and legal advice.

BY BEN RUDDER

This has been angrily denied by T&GWU general secretary Moss Evans, who has denounced the 'scurrilous' activities of the press.

Todd said yesterday: 'We must prepare the union for the challenges of the future and not spend our time arguing about the past.'

'I stand by what I said in my election address of 1984. The union must have strong and imaginative leadership which recognises its responsibility to the membership.'

The ballot will take place between May 13 and June 7, and the results should be known by June 15, prior to the union's conference.

Council and health workers Occupation delays rate

BY PENNY BLOOR

SOUTHWARK council was in total confusion last night when hundreds of workers occupied the council chambers in a bid to prevent a council meeting from voting to fix a rate.

Members of the Labour group had voted 24-20 on Thursday to end their defiance to the Tory rate-capping legislation.

The town hall workers, supported by members of tenants' associations and community groups, broke down the padlocked doors of the council chamber at 4 p.m. yesterday. Immediately a placard with the names of the 24 scab councillors was posted at the front.

Dozens of those who were sitting in stormed the meeting of the council's policy committee, held before the council meeting, which had been moved to another room.

They hurled abuse at those who had broken ranks, shouting 'scab!', 'resign!' and the miners' chant of 'Here we go!'

Unions involved in the sit-in included NUPE, NALGO, the T&GWU, UCATT builders and EETPU electricians.

A delegation of council workers from Lambeth also supported them.

At the time the council meeting was due to start, none of the councillors could get into the chamber. They went to the end of the policy committee meeting as crowds filled the area outside the meeting room continued to shout.

Eventually mayor Jim Greening announced he was adjourning the meeting until next Wednesday.

In the middle of all the confusion, Tory group leader Toby Eckersley claimed a rate had already been set.

He said 16 people had been present, three Liberals, eight Tories and five Labour members.

Eckersley said: 'We had to make an effort to show the District Auditor that we did our duty.'

But he conceded that it was questionable as to whether the meeting, which had already been adjourned by the mayor, and at which no clerk was present, was legal.



Angry Southwark council workers at last night's policy committee meeting showing their feelings about those members of the Labour Group who voted to set a rate

Pit brothers' extra fine

BROTHERS Malcolm and Stephen Bray, who both work at Woolley Colliery, Barnsley, face fines and costs totalling £215 apiece after a hearing in Nottingham Crown Court yesterday. They lost their appeal against conviction on a charge of obstructing the highway. The judge added costs of £140 to £75 fines imposed by magistrates.

The brothers, aged 29 and 27, were

arrested early in the strike as they left the picket line outside Newstead Colliery, after police had forbidden pickets from stepping into the road to speak to scabs going into work. A charge of obstructing a police officer was later dropped. Malcolm Bray said after yesterday's hearing: 'It's been incredible what's taken place today. It really exposes British justice for what it is.'

Polkemmet abandoned

THE NCB yesterday announced they are to abandon the Polkemmet colliery in West Lothian, blaming their decision on flooding.

The Scottish NUM have maintained that the water in the pit could be pumped out. But after the first meeting of area NUM officials and local Coal Board managers since the end of the strike, the Board refused to carry out the work.

Nigel Gray, secretary of

the craftsmen's union at the pit, told News Line: 'We will fight this decision, the whole community will.'

'Our reaction to the news is that it is terrible. We always said since the flooding took place last August that the Coal Board was not making any attempt to save the pit.'

'The flooding was sabotage in the first place. The Coal Board only wants pits on the east side of Scotland to stay open. The next to go will be the two pits in Ayrshire.'

'The damage the closing of Polkemmet will do to the Ravenscraig steelworks is hard to say. But it is bound to be bad news for steelmen, since Polkemmet was

the only producer of coking coal in Scotland.'

The NCB admitted that the pit could be saved, but said they were not prepared to spend money on pumping.

● NCB Area Director Albert Wheeler later confirmed that the 200 sacked miners in the Scottish coalfield would remain sacked. He said the Board would not consider re-instating the men.

REG FREESON, Labour MP for Brent East, said yesterday he has decided not to seek a High Court order halting tomorrow's reselection meeting at which he will be challenged by GLC leader Ken Livingstone.

'Megascab' takes cash

ANOTHER scab miners' organiser has decided to take redundancy money and leave the industry, it was revealed yesterday.

South Wales strike-breaker Tony Hollman, dubbed 'Megascab' by union officials, is among 30 men taking voluntary redundancy from Cynheidre colliery, the pit with the

largest number of scabs in South Wales.

He has been to work only once since the end of the strike, claiming there is too much hostility to him for him to continue working underground.

He is also intending to set up home away from the mining areas.

POET Alan Ginsberg gives a benefit reading in Cambridge tonight in support of the jailed miners. Ginsberg, whose collection of poems written between 1947-1980 were published this week, will be accompanied by Stephen Taylor on the guitar. The reading will be at Keynes Hall, King's College, beginning at 8.30p.m.

POST ACTION GROWS

OVER 700 Post Office engineers in the north west region continued their 48-hour strike yesterday against plans to slash 50 per cent of their jobs and reduce pay and status for those remaining.

John Regan, National Communications Union branch official at Manchester's Newton Street Post Office, said on the picket line yesterday: 'Some months ago a Post Office document was leaked to the union which stated that over a period of years manpower was to be reduced by 50 per cent.'

'When we found out we said it wasn't on. The Post Office set up a scrutiny

team and set up an experiment in Chelmsford mechanised office and were to do the same at Bournemouth.'

That experiment had been 'an unmitigated disaster'. During the experimental period they had had to revert to manual letter sorting six times.

When the Post Office suspended six NCU members in Bournemouth that branch withdrew their labour and the dispute spread

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Builders' victory

BUILDING workers who have been on strike in Cantril Farm, Liverpool, for ten weeks have won their battle against redundancy.

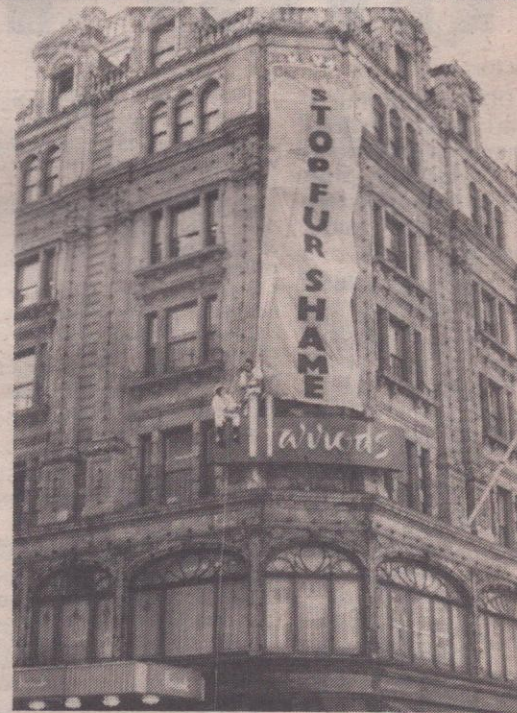
Sub-contractors J.G.M. Building Services yesterday agreed to reinstate all 18 strikers and remove all lump labour from the site.

Over 200 builders from all over Merseyside were outside the offices of the Stockbridge Village Trust during the negotiations.

The men say they have won the fight for jobs, trade unions and against lump labour.

The company has agreed to accept the trade union organisation and recognise all the shop stewards, whose dismissal sparked off the dispute.

Terry McOvy from the strike committee said that it was a great victory, but the battle was now to eradicate lump labour from the whole estate.



TWO Greenpeace demonstrators scaled Harrod's store yesterday and spent seven hours on the roof after unfurling a massive banner proclaiming 'Stop Fur Shame'. A spokesman for the environmental pressure group said they chose Harrod's because it is one of the biggest outlets for furs in the country

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Anti-privatisation march in Newcastle

EIGHT THOUSAND workers at 26 hospitals in the north of England took strike action yesterday in their fight against privatisation of the NHS.

Several hundred nurses and ancillary staff supported by shipyard workers and other trade unionists took part in a demonstration through Newcastle city centre.

The march, which was followed by a rally, was the climax of a three-day strike by workers at Newcastle's Royal Victoria Infirmary.

Phil Lenton, a full-time officer of the National Union of Public Employees (NUPE), told a rally in Eldon Square that the other hospitals should unite behind the RVI to prevent contractors being brought in.

'This strike is about patients, not just about jobs and money. We must get everyone together from all the hospitals in the area,' he said.

There was a warm reception for Sylvia Burton from Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge, where workers have been engaged in a protracted struggle against privatisation.

United

She told the rally: 'Don't be picked off one at a time. Stay united. Every union and every hospital must fight together.'

'Don't let Thatcher take the health service away from us.'

Keith Hickson, an official of the health union COHSE, said that privatisation was

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

part and parcel of Tory plans to destroy the NHS.

'They want to rip its guts out. They are prepared to cut wages and are prepared to put patients at risk,' he said.

Greetings

Ann Lilburn, head of the Women Against Pit Closures organisation, brought greetings to the rally on behalf of the miners and their wives.

To loud applause she said: 'The policy of privatisation is the holy bible of this government. They have become the auctioneers of everything that belongs to the people.'

She pledged the wholehearted support of the mining communities for the defence of the NHS.

She went on: 'Unfortunately the miners didn't get the support they deserved and needed from the TUC. But you must have it because you're fight, like ours, is for everyone.'

'You must keep up the action, and step it up wherever you can. The Tory press will vilify you. They'll try to shame you and use moral blackmail against you, but you mustn't give in.'



Health workers joined a lively demonstration through Newcastle yesterday against privatisation of services in the NHS

HEALTH CASH FRAUD ALLEGATION

THE National Health Service is being cheated out of some £60 million a year through failure to control income from private patients, says Shadow Health Secretary Michael Meacher.

'We are talking about fraud,' he said.

Meacher spoke out after Sir Gordon Downey, Comptroller and Auditor General, published a report claiming 'serious and persistent failures' by some health authorities to maintain control over this type of income.

Downey said: 'Examination by my staff and statu-

tory auditors in 1981 provided evidence that some health authorities were failing to operate effective controls over charges for services provided to private patients in NHS hospitals.'

'The main weaknesses were that provision of NHS facilities for private patients' treatment was not properly authorised and that income collection procedures were defective.'

Make benefits report public

AN MP yesterday called on the Prime Minister to order immediate publication of secret reports by social security review teams on pensions and a whole range of welfare benefits.

The move by Gordon Brown, Labour member for Dunfermline East, followed the unexpected postponement by the Cabinet on Thursday of a discussion on the review reports. This is believed to have followed a request from Social Services Secretary Norman Fowler, who may be under Treasury pressure to make even deeper cuts than he anticipated.

Fowler wants to keep the reports private, but Brown has written to Thatcher calling for publication. 'It is clear there has been an almighty row between government ministers and some review team members who feel that their services have been abused and that they have been enlisted on the false pretence of an independent examination of the welfare state,' said Brown.

'It is now clear that the final recommendations will anger more people than the 8 million on supplementary benefit who will lose out and the 19 million mothers and children who face cuts in the value of their child benefit.'

'The final recommendations will anger building societies when mortgage interest payments are cut for owner-occupiers on benefit and will anger employers who would have to administer a wage subsidy in the government's new "family credit" scheme.'

'The government should immediately publish the reports of the review teams and also the evidence submitted to them so that genuinely open and informed public debate can begin.'

On Thursday, Labour leader Neil Kinnock told political correspondents that the government had 'obviously panicked'. He said: 'There is no agreement among the Cabinet ministers who got their papers on Tuesday.'

'And there is contention coming from both sides — those who want a tighter line than that put forward and those who recognise that even Fowler's proposals would be devastating.'

Re-Chem pull out of dioxin debate

TOXIC waste disposal firm Re-Chem has pulled out of a conference today called to look at scientific views on the controversial issue.

The subject of heavy criticism from environmentalists, the firm said it sees 'no useful purpose' in setting itself up 'as an Aunt Sally'.

The meeting in Cwmbran, near Newport, South Wales, will simply provide a public platform for 'whipping up animosity' against Re-Chem, said the company's Dr Arthur Coleman.

There were fears of possible pollution from dioxin poison formed during burning of industrial wastes at Re-Chem's plant at nearby Pontypool.

The conference will hear from Professor Samuel Epstein of the University of Illinois, a leading expert on waste disposal and the environment.

He will be joined by Stanley Johnston, head of the EEC Directorate on Environmental Safety, and Dr Alistair Hay of Leeds University, who has written about dioxin disasters.

ASBESTOS SPRAYER AWARD

A MAN who contracted asbestosis after spending 23 years as an asbestos sprayer was awarded £47,500 agreed damages at the High Court in London yesterday.

Leslie Steele, 56, of Meir, Stoke on Trent, was awarded the damages, by consent, against his former employers Cape Industries PLC by Mr Justice Tudor Evans.

Steele's job involved spraying asbestos insulation in factories, schools and hospitals. He claimed that he was not warned of the dangers or provided with adequate protection from asbestos fibres.

Cape denied liability and contested his allegations.

New storm over young people's prison

BY CHRIS CORRIGAN

RENEWED allegations over conditions inside Glenochil youth prison complex near Alloa were made in Edinburgh last night.

A 16-year-old youth, Derek Harris, was found hanging in his cell at the detention centre this month. He was the seventh to die at Glenochil in the last five years.

Former inmates, together with parents, attended last night's meeting at the Gateway Exchange, an Edinburgh-based charity which advises young people about drug abuse.

Jimmy Boyle, formerly imprisoned in Scotland's toughest jails, claimed earlier this week: 'I believe there has been a big cover-up about what has been going on at the detention centre.'

'We have already taken evidence from parents and former inmates at Glenochil. What they have told us about conditions inside

the detention centre is horrifying,' he said.

John Rushford, 31, a volunteer at the Gateway Exchange, spent more than two months at the detention centre in 1971. He told News Line yesterday: 'Nothing has changed much.'

No Courtauld reprieve

THE government will not intervene to save the 1,000 jobs from the two Courtaulds plant closures in North Wales, the Prime Minister made clear yesterday when she visited the area. She admitted: 'Courtauld's decision to close its Greenfield and Wrexham works had come as a blow, and a big blow, to many individuals and families.'

But she added patronisingly: 'I understand that the workforce at Courtaulds has been hardworking and loyal. Any employer who offers them new work will be very well served by them. Markets are constantly changing and firms have to adapt and look for new products. Many new companies have already established themselves in this area bringing with them new jobs. We must all work hard to encourage still more to follow.'

'I often meet youth who have recently been in Glenochil and the things that I experienced are still going on.'

'It is a pretty violent place. Boys are getting beaten up. It happens for no reason at all. It happened to me quite a few times. You'd

be standing in line and they'd walk up behind you. As much as move and you get hit with sticks.'

'Even in the reception area, boys used to get beaten up for no reason. It was pretty heavy. It was legalised assault. Something should be done.'

Following the latest suicide, a working group was set up by the Scottish Office and is due to make its report to the Secretary of State soon.

ROBERT MAXWELL is to become the pace-setter in a new attack on jobs in Fleet Street. He issued a blunt ultimatum on jobs in yesterday's edition of the 'Daily Mirror', citing plans by Eddie Shah to produce a new newspaper as a reason for demanding redundancies.

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MOSCOW — Tass, the official Soviet news agency, has accused the Reagan government of boosting the United States economy at the expense of others under the cover of 'free trade' hypocrisy. The agency said the US was manipulating bank lending rates, practising trade protectionism and carrying out sanctions and boycotts to 'disorganise world economy and trade (and) bring about an atmosphere of tension and mistrust in international relations'. It quoted unnamed Western experts as saying high US lending rates had pumped \$300 billion out of West Europe in the past five years.

JAL crews on strike

TOKYO — A strike by Japan Air Lines flight crews entered its third day yesterday, the eve of the busy 'Golden Week' holiday period. Six of the airline's 43 overseas flights and 77 of its 106 domestic services were cancelled. About 1,400 co-pilots and flight engineers are demanding an average monthly pay increase of about 10 per cent. The company has offered 3.1 per cent.

US chafes war chiefs

BRUSSELS — NATO armaments chiefs are planning counter-proposals to an American plan to streamline allied arms co-operation. The American paper, presented to national armaments directors of the 16-member imperialist alliance this week, suggested a new treaty or charter enshrining a formal commitment to co-operate in developing common weapons systems. Britain, France and West Germany regarded it as an infringement of their national sovereignty, diplomats and NATO officers said.

Libya air office blast

GENEVA — A bomb explosion early yesterday wrecked a Libyan Arab Airlines office and a diplomatic car was destroyed in another blast several hours later, police said. The attack on the airline also damaged a neighbouring travel agency and smashed windows within a 100-yard radius. No casualty was reported.

Jakarta snub for Wu

JAKARTA — Chinese Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian yesterday said he was optimistic over an improvement in relations with Indonesia following his visit, the first for 18 years by a Peking minister. Although China and Indonesia agreed to resume direct trade and increase informal contacts, Wu apparently failed to make further progress towards 'normalising' diplomatic ties.

Loans to build ships

TAIPEH — Taiwan will offer loans to foreign shipping companies to build vessels in the country as part of a government plan to help the state-owned shipbuilders, according to the Economic Ministry. Shipping companies could obtain loans of up to 80 per cent of the total cost of a ship, with a fixed interest rate of about 9 per cent a year, the ministry said.

World News Line

A-bomb test caused stillbirth

MARALINGA, South Australia — Radioactive poisoning from British atomic bomb tests in the South Australian outback in 1956 may have killed the unborn baby of Edie Milpuddie, 54.

The Aboriginal woman told a special Australian Royal Commission hearing in the outback of how she and her family were picked up by soldiers while camping near a bomb crater in a prohibited area at Maralinga and given a shower after an instrument was run over them which made a clicking noise.

Milpuddie, sitting cross-legged on dry, red ground, told commission chief Justice James McClelland: 'We were camped at the place where there had been a big smoke. It was flat ground, fairly clear of vegetation.'

A group of anthropologists, said in a report to the commission it was highly probable that Milpuddie was pregnant when found by the soldiers inside the prohibited zone.

Their report said: 'Subsequently her child was born dead and buried by Edie in the bush.'

It was the first time that evidence had been officially taken from the Aboriginal community.

According to testimony by researchers to the commission, a 1.5-kiloton bomb had been tested there in October 1956.

A group of Aboriginal women also gave evidence that 'dreaming places' had been damaged by bombs.

'Dreaming' is a system of Aboriginal folklore and history passed on by word of mouth from generation to generation.

'Dreaming places' are sacred sites of historical and cultural significance to the Aboriginal people.

The Aboriginal groups said the poison on the land should be taken away by those who made it.

McClelland, who earlier this year led hearings for 42 days in London, visited the test site and was assisted at one point by two Aborigines who tried to find the place where they said they had seen four-wheel drive vehicles buried when the British left.

Hearings resume in Perth, Western Australia, next Tuesday.

DURBAN 16 ON COUP CHARGE

JOHANNESBURG — Sixteen leading opponents of apartheid appeared in court yesterday to face a 600-page indictment accusing them of high treason.

They were accused of sympathising with outlawed groups seeking to overthrow the racist white minority republic.

As the show trial opened in Durban, anti-government uprisings continued across the country, with a man reported dead from a bomb explosion in a central Durban park overnight.

Police fired teargas, shotguns and baton-charged thousands of protesters to disperse them.

Stone-throwing and arson against black collaborators of the apartheid regime also continued.

In Durban regional court, the 16 defendants, including the most senior leaders of the United Democratic Front, learned details of the lengthy indictment against them.

Backing

The main charges accuse them of:

- Backing a 'Revolutionary Alliance' formed by the outlawed African National Congress, the South African Communist Party and the South African Council of Trade Unions;
- Of working towards a

'final goal' of seizing power in South Africa under the ANC's command.

The indictments were presented during an application for bail by the accused. Bail has so far been denied and all the accused are being held in custody under Pretoria's notorious Internal Security Act.

Defence lawyers have complained that unless bail is granted the defendants could spend two years in jail while the case is heard.

The 16 include Albertina Sisulu, wife of prominent ANC member Walter Sisulu, imprisoned for more than 20 years.

Some of the defendants were seized by security police after sheltering for months at Britain's consulate in Durban last

year, while other were detained during a recent nationwide crackdown on dissent.

In Cape Town, police fired teargas against 250 demonstrating students after a police patrol was attacked in the southern town of Graaf Reinet.

The house of the Graaf Reinet black school principal was destroyed by fire and police again fired shotguns and teargas to disperse the protesters.

Strike

More rebellions were reported in the township of Tembisa, on Johannesburg's outskirts, where a petrol bomb was hurled at the house believed to belong to a black councillor and a car set on fire.

Two major car plants, General Motors and Volkswagen, were forced to halt production when black workers went on strike over wage claims in the eastern Cape.

In Johannesburg, the black National Union of Mineworkers is engaged in a dispute involving nearly 220,000 gold mine workers, threatening what could be the biggest legal strike by black workers in South African history.

Two companies, Anglo American Corporation and Gold Fields of South Africa, have been presented with demands on wages and holidays.

The companies' 13 mines produce more than half of the apartheid republic's 680.5-tonne annual gold output and gold accounts for nearly half of the country's export earnings.

Meet

Slabbert said he was prepared to meet Tambo 'as soon as possible and wherever it is convenient'.

He said a meeting would have 'real negotiating significance' only if both Tambo and Botha were willing to 'accept the role of a go-between'.

Tambo talk offer

CAPE TOWN — South African opposition leader Frederik van Zyl Slabbert has offered to mediate between African National Council leader Oliver Tambo and President Pieter Botha.

Slabbert made the offer after reading a 'Washington Post' newspaper interview in which Tambo said he was willing to enter negotiations with Botha on his new constitution.

The 'Washington Post' quoted Tambo as saying a condition of such talks would be the racist republic's agreement to 'extend democracy' to South Africa's 22 million black people.

Slabbert told the South

Judge sent for trial

SYDNEY — Australian High Court Judge Lionel Murphy was yesterday sent for trial on two charges of attempting to pervert the course of justice.

Murphy, an Attorney-General in the former Labour government of Prime Minister Gough Whitlam who was sacked by the Governor-General on November 11, 1975, is charged with trying to influence court cases involving Sydney lawyer Morgan Ryan in 1982 and 1983.

Magistrate Arthur Riedel said he was satisfied a jury would accept the evidence against Murphy from two prosecution witnesses, Chief New

South Wales Magistrate Clarrie Briese and District Court Judge Paul Flannery, whom Murphy is alleged to have tried to influence during private conversations.

It was the first time in Australian history that a High Court judge has been sent for trial on indictable offences.

Ryan found conspiracy charges involving an alleged immigration racket. The Court of Appeal has ordered a retrial for him. It will be heard in May.

Murphy, in his first statement on the accusations, told the court yesterday he was angered by what he called false charges.

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Hundreds die in Nigerian shoot-out

NAIROBI — Hundreds of civilians and police may died in a shoot-out in north-eastern Nigeria yesterday, when security forces tried to arrest the leader of an Islamic sect.

NAN, the Nigerian news agency, monitored by the BBC in the Kenyan capital, said fighting broke out at dawn.

The shooting was reported to have broken out when Yusufu Adamu, leader of the Maitatsine sect, resisted an attempt by police to arrest him in Gombe, in Bauchi state.

Details were not immediately available but hundreds of people, including civilians, police and members of the sect, were feared dead.

Most of the town's residents fled as the shooting spread from the sect's 'enclave', according to the NAN report.

NAN quoted its correspondents as saying troops moved in a few hours later to help the police in the face of fierce resistance.

Trucks were reported evacuating families as shooting continued and entry to the town was barred.

Three days ago, the Nigerian military regime's second-in-command, Major-General Tunde Idiagbon, said the government had been alerted to subversive activities.

Idiagbon linked the alleged subversion to activities by 'foreign evangelists, Christian and Muslim', preaching doctrines alien to Nigeria.

In 1980, the army and air force put down rioting in the northern city of Kano, blamed on Mohammed Marwa, also known as Maitatsine, after whom the sect in Gombe is named.

Marwa's group was banned after similar riots in Kaduna and Maiduguri, also in the north, two years later.

Other uprisings swept the north-eastern town of Yola in 1983 and hundreds died.

Some foreigners arrested over the rebellions were deported.

Northern Nigeria is predominantly Muslim.

REAGAN FAILS TO MUSTER SENATE

WASHINGTON — President Reagan, beleaguered by Congress opposition to his counter-revolution against Nicaragua, has suffered another embarrassment — in the Republican-controlled Senate.

BY A FOREIGN REPORTER

Reagan was dealt another blow on Thursday night when Republican senators failed to muster the numbers to pass his \$52-billion budget cut on social programmes.

Senate Republican leaders who control the chamber 53 to 47, could not muster enough sure votes to pass the plan and recessed until yesterday.

The White House and the Republican Party were hopeful that the cuts would be approved after intense lobbying of recalcitrant colleagues.

Reagan suffered his two other blows in the House of Representatives which earlier this week voted down a Senate-approved Bill for \$14.5 million in counter-revolutionary aid to anti-Sandinist 'Contras'.

The Democrats-dominated House added a well-aimed insult to injury when it rejected even more overwhelmingly two separate proposals for so-called humanitarian aid to the 'Contras' last Wednesday.

The votes were 248 to 180 against the \$14.5-million Bill and 302 to 123 against the supplementary 'humanitarian' proposals.

Reagan put his prestige on the line when he took to the airwaves with a nationally televised speech to browbeat Democrats and hesitant Republicans alike with a threat to use his veto powers.

The Senate numbers crash followed the morning after his TV bombast, which was actually a masked plea to an increasingly hostile electorate over the heads of the House and the Senate.

The Democrats, while pursuing a policy of abject capitulation to Reagan's savage econo-

mic austerities, have refused to pass the \$52-billion cuts.

Some Republicans have joined the opposition to the cuts and have protested that the multi-billion military spending boost will take too much out of social service programmes.

After a day and evening of heavy lobbying by the White House, the Republican Senators quit for the night and decided to call another vote the next day.

In fact, the pro-Reagan Republicans felt their position was so weak that they did not risk putting it to the vote.

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole led the lobbying, arguing that the chamber should vote on the cuts and use to advantage what he called the momentum of Reagan's TV speech.

Backdown

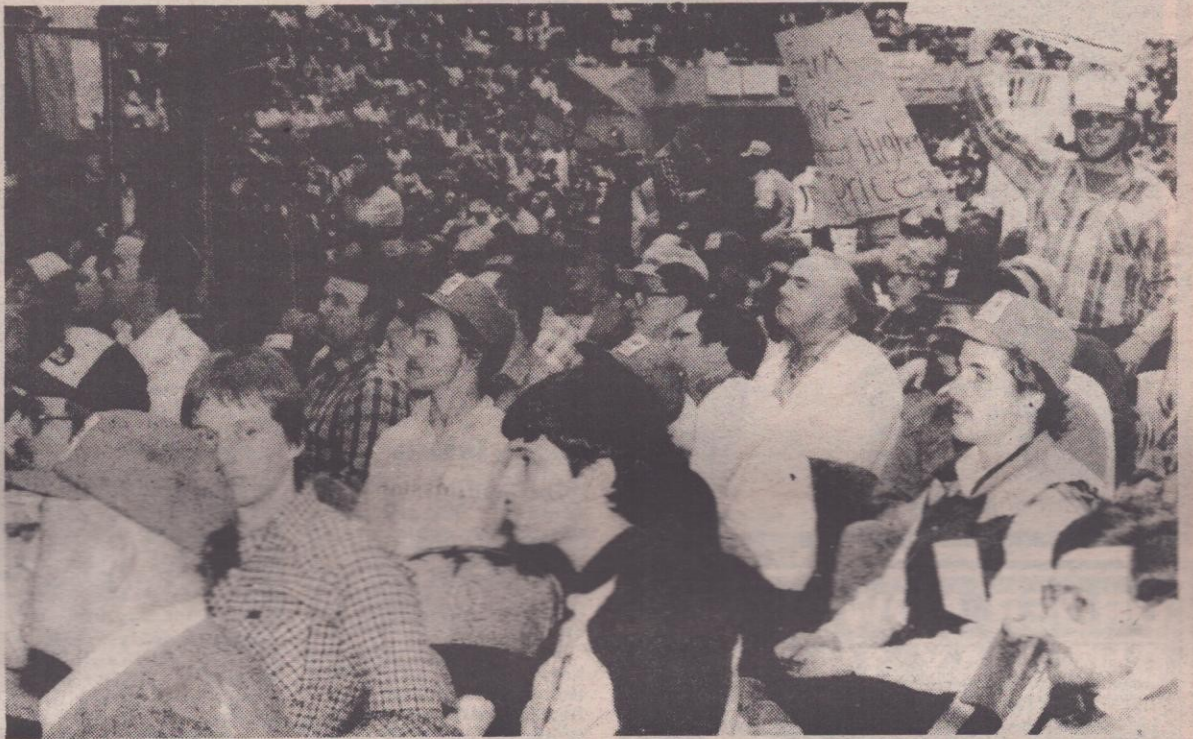
But at the end of the day's lobbying, the writing was on the wall and Dole packed it in.

Dole's backdown caused some taunting from a gleeful Democratic Senator Robert Byrd, who challenged him to table the vote.

Visibly flinching, Dole replied: 'I've got to find a couple (of) people in the tree before I finish.'

Byrd said Dole was likely to win the vote scheduled for Friday night but wryly reminded congressional correspondents that the Republicans had felt they could win on Thursday night.

The White House and Senate Republican leaders agreed the new \$227-billion federal budget after bitter argument over the proposed cuts but even if it passes muster it faces more Republican amendments.



U.S. farmers rally in Iowa to demand emergency credit

Gujarat curfew stays

AHMEDABAD — Army helicopters circled over the riot-hit capital of Gujarat yesterday, while troops patrolled the streets to enforce round-the-clock curfews.

At least ten more people were killed overnight, bringing the death toll in ten days of street-clashes to 50 people.

Most of the clashes have involved mutinous police who ran amok, inciting communal clashes.

The Congress (I) Party federal government exacerbated tensions in the city of 3 million people when it ordered riot police to quell student protests last February.

In the police atrocities that followed a policeman's hand was cut off by angry residents, sparking the mutiny.

Fight

Gujarati students have led a long fight to force New Delhi to abolish a much-abused system of university and civil service 'reservations' for positions for so-called underprivileged castes.

A police spokesman said a three-hour curfew relaxation planned yesterday in the capital had been cancelled.

Thousands of residents are believed to be running out of food stocks at home and city supplies were reported to be critically low early this week.

At least 14 incidents of stabbing were reported on Thursday but the authorities claimed the city was calm yesterday.

An army spokesman said troops had stepped up patrols in Ahmedabad and army commanders

were flying overhead to watch troublespots 'but the army has not had to intervene elsewhere'.

Gujarat's Congress (I) Chief Minister Madhavsinh Solanki, summoned back from holiday by Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, said he expected the 'violence to die down in a few days'.

He said: 'When violence has reached such a high pitch, it will take

some time to die down. We will keep the army on for a few days more to see that the situation does not deteriorate.'

Relief Commissioner K.V. Bhanujan said the government had opened five camps to house 6,000 people whose homes were burned down by rioters or who had fled clashes in other suburbs.

Bhanujan said each family that had lost its

home would be given a grant of 15,000 rupees (\$2,000).

Every other refugee family would be paid 2,000 rupees (\$167) as immediate relief and people who had lost their shops or businesses would be given loans at reduced rates of interest.

Solanki has called on the student leaders to negotiate on their anti-reservation demands.

West German banks mount rescue plan

BONN — West German banks have agreed to mount a 1.18-billion mark (\$380-million) rescue operation for one of the country's largest leasing companies, Deutsche Anlagen-lesing GMBH (DAL).

Bankers said it was one of the biggest bailing-out operations in West German corporate history.

It easily outstripped the 900-million mark (\$290-million) rescue of private bankers Schroeder, Muenchmeyer, Hengst and Co., in 1983.

DAL, heavily involved in leasing office space and industrial plant, ran into trouble in the early 1980s.

Chairman Hans Wielens said the company's five shareholder banks had injected 750 million marks (\$240-million) to cover the shortfall in its 1983 accounts.

The banks also agreed to accept liability for 4 billion marks (\$1.29 billion) worth of DAL's leasing business.

DAL's operations have been a long-running scandal in West German financial circles.

New management brought in during 1983 brought a series of law suits against former executives, of which 23 have been decided in the company's favour.



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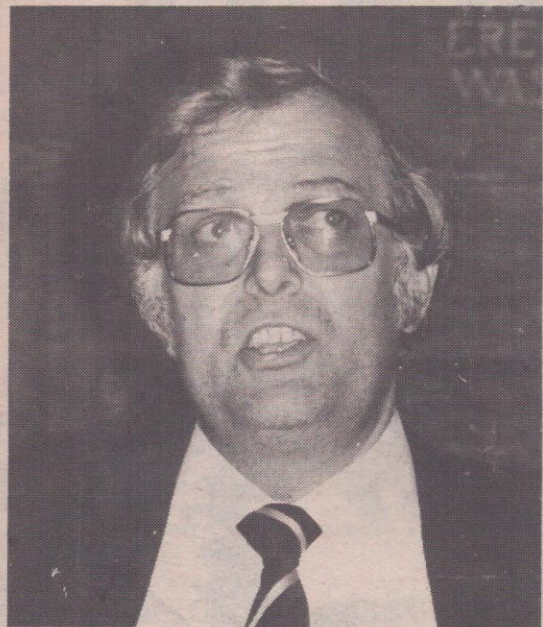
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NUM FIGHTING FOR ALL OUR JOBS

Printworkers are told



John Geleit of the NGA

THE GREATEST victory of the miners' strike was the struggle itself, NUM president Arthur Scargill told an enthusiastic meeting of Fleet Street trade unionists on Thursday night.

The government and the Coal Board had so far been unable to carry out their plans for closures and sackings, except in the Nottinghamshire coalfield, he said.

'You can't sequester an idea. You can't imprison a mind. That's why the miners' dispute will continue till we achieve final victory.'

Scargill attacked the Communist Party's theoretical journal 'Marxism Today' and the former Young Communist League general secretary Jimmy Reid, now a 'Daily Mirror' columnist.

Issue

He said: 'I've been reading "Marxism Today": we could reach agreements provided we could fudge the issue. The central issue remained the same throughout the strike.

'We weren't fighting for better wages and conditions, we were challenging the very right of an employer at the stroke of an accountant's pen to destroy a pit or a community.'

He said 'the broken Reid' should remember that the UCS dispute was decided not by the logic of the case but by the support they obtained from the rest of the labour movement.

Branch officials and Fathers of Chapels (office branches) from Fleet Street newspaper unions queued up to hand over cheques for more than £10,000 for the miners' union. And more than £50,000 was pledged in levies and future collections.

Chairman Bill Booroff, regional officer of the National Graphical Association, read a letter from Kent miners' secretary Jack Collins calling for support for sacked and jailed miners.

John Mitchell of

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

SOGAT 82 said the miners' strike was the first challenge to the Thatcherite dogma and philosophy. He believed the print workers were next in line and should emulate the miners' courage.

Sean Geraghty of the EETPU said the miners had witnessed fascism over the last 12 months. 'The activity of the police has been the activity of a fascist state,' he said.

'The NUM weren't fighting for miners and miners' jobs. They were fighting for all our jobs.'

John Hannington of the AUEW accused the 'spineless' TUC leaders of undermining the NGA's fight at Warrington, the dress rehearsal for the miners' dispute.

John Geleit of the NGA, who served as liaison officer with the NUM during the strike, detailed the attack on civil liberties and basic rights by the state during the miners' strike.

Attack

'We have seen the use of paramilitary police, curfews, phone tapping, pass laws, censorship of TV programmes and an attack on the funds of trade unions and the Labour Party, and the withdrawal of the right of workers at GCHQ to belong to a union.'

'This is what you expect in Chile, and we are told we need the bomb to prevent it happening here,' he said.

'We pledge full and continued support for the



miners, particularly those who are serving time in prison,' he said.

During the meeting Scargill presented a miner's lamp to John Breen, the NGA deputy FoC at the 'News of the World', for his work in organising the 'Right of Reply' newspaper.

Bill Booroff, London regional organiser of the NGA, (above) listening to NUM president Arthur Scargill at Thursday night's meeting in the Conway Hall, London, at which he was able to thank the print union members from Fleet Street for their support during the year-long miners' strike. LEFT: Some of the audience of Fleet Street trade unionists at the Conway Hall meeting BELOW: John Breen received a miners' lamp presentation from Scargill for his work in producing the 'Right of Reply' newspaper produced in opposition to the Fleet Street coverage of the NUM's struggle for jobs and communities



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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

Scots sacked miners demand action

CRITICISM of the Scottish NUM area leadership has reached new heights over the question of sacked miners. Mick McGahey and George Bolton, area president and vice-president, faced an angry audience in Dalkeith this week.

Bolton, who is chairman of the Communist Party nationally, was 'gone to town on,' according to one source. On the four occasions he rose to his feet, a barrage of angry shouts forced him into silence.

One Ayrshire sacked miner told the Stalinist-dominated platform: 'You are worse than Kinno. At least we know where he is. You are sitting even higher on the fence than him.'

Many of the Scottish coalfield's 200 sacked miners were at the meeting, held in Dalkeith. Another sacked miner commented later: 'To say the meeting was heated is an understatement.'

He also remarked that it was not just shouting going on, but that questions and statements made from the floor of the meeting showed the sacked men remain not only extremely determined but increasingly politically aware of the manoeuvres in the leadership of the Scottish trade union and labour movement to get the issue off the agenda.

The miners had attended the Dalkeith meeting hoping to hear of plans to step up the campaign for reinstatement.

Instead, the platform declared the Scottish NUM was confident that legal action in the High Court would succeed in winning their jobs back.

But, the meeting was told, it would take between ten months and a

Leaders under fire



MICK MCGAHEY



GEORGE BOLTON

year before the cases could get heard!

Half-way through the meeting, about one-third of those present got up and walked out. 'We're not here to listen to rhetoric — what are you going to do?' was a typical irate comment aimed at McGahey and Bolton.

Attacks

Bolton has had to become used to attacks from NUM members in various parts of the coalfield. But, said some, this occasion was the first time that representatives from Bolton's own 'power-base' (West Fife) had openly joined in.

Sacked miners maintaining regular contact through what used to be coalfield strike centres were bitter over the question of finance.

Apart from their own families' hardship, the supply of funds for pushing forward the campaign for reinstatement has dried up.

Unpaid telephone bills, repairs to vans, and petrol for visits to trade unionists in Glasgow for ex-

ample, are some of the costs holding back the campaign.

There is a widespread feeling that the organisations of sacked miners are being starved of finance.

The Stalinist-led Scottish NUM want all organisations of sacked men disbanded, and each victimised miner to pursue an industrial tribunal claim for reinstatement on an individual basis.

Three more class-war prisoners

THREE Yorkshire miners have been jailed after admitting to offences against a scab's house during the 12-month struggle for jobs.

Clive Thompson, 23, of Upton village, was jailed for three years on charges of arson and burglary with intent to do damage.

Two others, miner Terry Capstick, 23, and miner's son Robert Latham, 17, were given nine-month sentences after admitting burglary with intent to do damage.

The house belonged to scab George Spencer, who was moved out by police after the militantly pro-strike community in Upton surrounded the house to oppose Spencer's strike-breaking.

The three men will join a growing list of class-war prisoners arrested during the miners' strike.

There are still over 1,000 miners to face trial for a range of charges — many of them serious enough to result in jail sentences.

In most cases, judges have made overtly political remarks during the hearings, and the sentences have shocked court officials and probation officers.

Decent

In the trial of Thompson, Wakefield Crown Court judge Vivian Hurwitz remarked that 'perfectly decent young men' were in the court because of an industrial dispute 'and the form in which some had chosen to pursue it'.

Thompson was described by his legal counsel as 'a good union member who joined the strike willingly and took part in picketing'.

THE JAILED MEN

SCOTLAND

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

WEST MIDLANDS

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

NORTHUMBERLAND

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

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

DURHAM

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

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

JOHN LITTLE: Dawdon — Two-year sentence from March 1985.

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

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.

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

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

YORKSHIRE

ALAN BRIDGICK: Armthorpe — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Wymott Prison, Liverpool.

MICHAEL BRIDGICK: Armthorpe — Six-month sentence from March 1985. Wymott Prison, Liverpool.

CLIVE THOMPSON: Frickley — 679348, Armley Prison, Leeds LS12 2TJ.

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.

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.

LANCASHIRE

STEVEN HARDMAN: Parkside — Six-month sentence from April 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. E71033, 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.

KENT

MARK BEST: Three-year sentence from April 1985. B74749, Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

EMLYN DAVIES: Three-year sentence from April 1985. B74746, Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

BRIAN DAY: Three-year sentence from April 1985. B74748, 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. B74745, 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.

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

PETER GATES: UCATT member. One-year sentence from March 1985. L33574, Wormwood Scrubs, PO Box 757.

SOUTH WALES

DEAN HANCOCK: 899410. Cardiff Prison.

RUSSELL SHANKLAND: A83752. Hospital Wing, Cardiff Prison.

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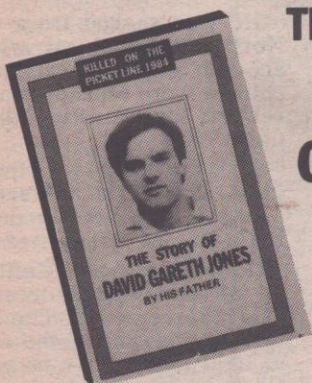
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YOUNG SOCIALISTS PUBLIC MEETINGS

**Out with YTS! No cheap labour schemes!
No state control of youth! Defend the trade unions!
TUC must break with MSC! Build mass YS!**

HACKNEY

Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m.
Hackney Free & Parochial School
Paragon Road, E8

Speakers: Nigel Anthony (Hackney YS); Marianne Kane (YS National Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Jim Law (Hackney NUPE convenor); Linda Goldstein (NUT rep); Hackney UCW representative; Kent NUM speaker

ACTON

Thursday May 16, 7.30p.m.
Council Chamber
Acton Town Hall, W6

Speakers: Dolly Short (YS Editor); Matt Hanlon (YS National Committee); Geoff Pilling (Acton WRP)

LEICESTER

Monday May 20, 7.30p.m.
Secular Hall
Humberstone Lane

Speakers: Gary Greenwood West (YS); Chris Lymas (YS National Committee); Tony Benjamin (Leicester WRP)

BATTERSEA

Tuesday May 21, 7.30p.m.
Battersea Lower
Town Hall

(Theatre St entrance), SW11
Speakers: Frances Goldstein (YS Regional Committee); Tony Bell (WRP London District Committee)

WEMBLEY

Tuesday May 21, 7.30p.m.
Copland High School
Harrow Road

Speakers: Matt Hanlon (YS National Committee); Julie Palmer (YS Regional Committee); Sam Cox (Willesden WRP)

EAST HAM

Wednesday May 29, 7.30p.m.
Lister Rooms
East Ham Town Hall
Barking Road, E6

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

This
morning...

SATURDAY
April 27, 1985

School students in revolt

THERE is a mass movement in the schools against the Tory plans to force all school-leavers on to compulsory cheap labour schemes by withdrawing their right to claim unemployment benefit.

This was demonstrated by the 200,000-strong schools strike organised by the Youth Trade Union Rights Campaign which erupted all over the country on Thursday.

The mass support for the action, with walk-outs, demonstrations and rallies, was a powerful blow to those who had united to condemn the schools strike.

They included Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock, deputy leader Roy Hattersley, TUC general secretary Norman Willis and Tory Prime Minister Thatcher.

Many pupils who joined the strike expressed their support for the teachers in their pay dispute and for the miners' fight for jobs. The miners' strike chant of 'Here we go!' was a popular slogan.

The movement in the schools follows directly after the confrontation between the miners' union and the Tory Bonapartist state over pit closures and mining communities.

The school students have taken up the fight for jobs, for the right to a future. This brings them immediately up against the forces of the state.

On Thursday several youth faced harassment from the police when they left their schools, with 41 arrests in Reading. In other areas, police tried to force youth to stay in school.

The Manpower Services Commission, which runs the Youth Training Scheme, is a corporatist body consisting of employers', government and TUC representatives.

The state-controlled MSC is under the immediate direction of the Thatcher government. It is charged with implementing the biggest forced labour scheme in history.

The number of places on YTS is to be nearly doubled and each scheme is to last for two years instead of one — with employers paying most of the cost of the second year of the scheme.

Instead of employers getting free labour for one year with their allowance paid by the MSC, they will get free labour for one year and cheap labour for a second year — at the paltry sum of £26.25 a week, which nobody can live on.

Alongside this comes the Tory abolition of Wages Councils aimed at driving down the wages of all young people, and the new housing benefit regulations stopping young people from moving out of their home town to look for work.

Up to now the MSC has always claimed, when challenged, that YTS is a voluntary scheme.

This is itself a lie — in fact those teenagers who refuse to go on schemes or leave them early are already penalised by a 40 per cent cut in their unemployment benefit for six weeks.

The only way to fight YTS is to smash it. There is no question of reforming the schemes or making them better. That is why the TUC must be forced to withdraw from participating in the MSC.

School students have shown that they are ready to fight for a better future than slave labour or unemployment, which is all the crisis-ridden capitalist system can offer.

The ruling class and its agents in the Labour and trade union bureaucracies fear the spontaneous movement of a new generation of young people which draws on the undefeated strength of the working class as a whole.

The outmoded capitalist system cannot concede any of the demands of young or adult workers, and the revolt in the schools will become part of a revolutionary confrontation between Thatcher's regime and the whole working class.

TUC MUST CALL GI

Women's groups have been steeled in the struggle

WOMEN'S support groups all over the country have been steeled in struggle and are ready to back any section of the working class, Ann Lilburn, national chairman of Women Against Pit Closures, told News Line.

Scorning Tory claims that the miners have been crushed, she declared: 'How can we be defeated when we haven't stopped fighting?'

'We had young lads who, with the support of their wives, sold their furniture and moved in with their parents in order to stay loyal to the strike.'

'How can you say that people showing such commitment have been defeated?'

'Thatcher misjudged the miners' wives completely. She thought we'd be persuading our husbands to go back.'

'But she doesn't understand the traditions in mining which run so deep. My grandfather and my husband's grandfather were the men who built this union.'

Natural

'So it was natural for me and the other women to support this struggle. It wasn't about money, it was about jobs and communities and that's why the strike was so vitally important to miners' wives.'

Ann, a Northumberland miner's wife, typifies the dramatic transformation of women in mining communities during the last year.

'Before the strike the only thing that I belonged to was the local ladies' darts team. I was not involved in any political activity in any shape or form,' she said.

'Now I, and the other women, are more aware. Instead of glossing over things in the papers, we want to know more, find out what is happening.'

'We've learnt a lot and the women are as determined as ever to keep up the fight.'

'Other trade unions have got to fight and they can depend on us because we've got the organisation and experience to back them up.'

Ann said that officials of Women Against Pit Closures had met national leaders of the NUM to discuss some form of association with the miners' union.

'We are pledged to support the NUM and we will continue to do that. But

Thatcher misjudged miners' wives

at Coalville in Leicestershire were being victimised for supporting us, why didn't the whole of the NUR come out?'

'We had great financial and moral support from unions like SOGAT '82, but when the 'Daily Express' vilified Arthur Scargill they shouldn't have produced another edition until a full apology had been published. That would have been real trade unionism.'

Active

'People would tell us how they gave 50p a week to the miners. But in my view that was conscience money. We needed more active support because

that money didn't help to win the struggle.'

'This was an attack on the whole trade union movement, not just the miners. The whole movement was involved and should have stood together.'

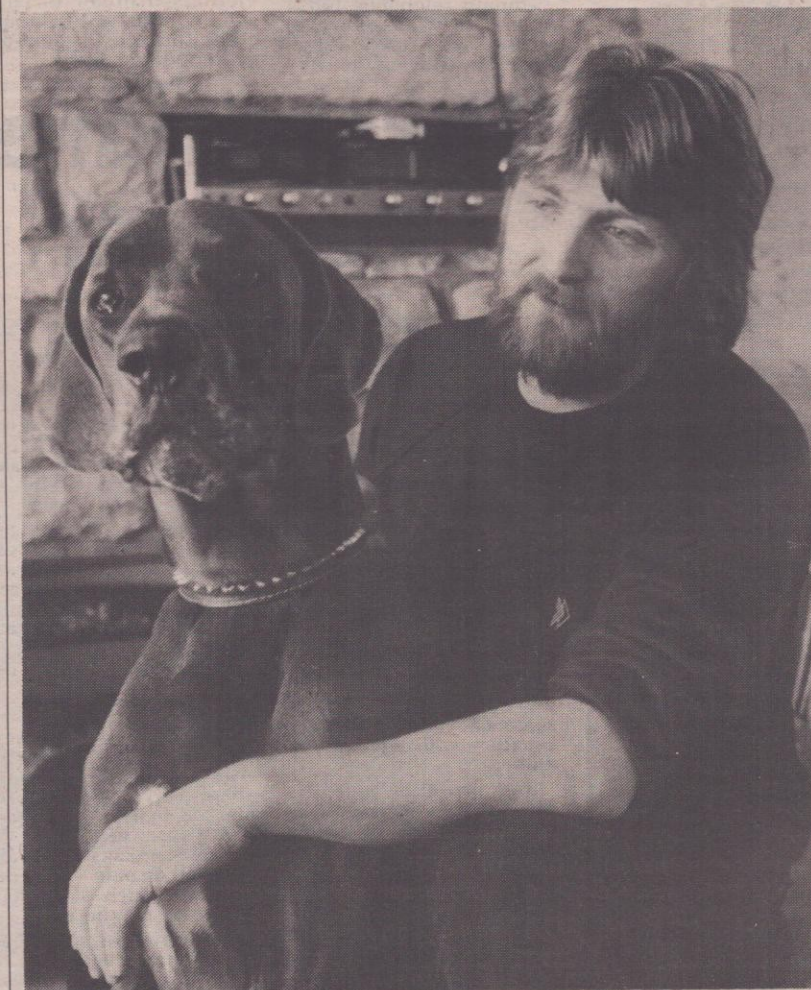
Ann was most angered by the seven TUC leaders who crawled into Downing Street to see Thatcher.

'On the day the strike ended Ray Buckton (ASLEF) made a statement saying that there had been no agreement between the TUC and Thatcher. Why didn't he say that before? None of them had the guts to say they were just postmen for the government.'



Ann Lilburn with her grand-daughter

TUC have a lot to answer



Sacked miner from Brinkley Mick Laidler and his dog Czar

BRENKLEY miner Mick Laidler refused to grovel before the Thatcher government, the Coal Board and the courts and scab on the strike for jobs.

'There was talk of me going back and therefore having a chance of keeping my job if the court was lenient. But I wouldn't do that, not after nine months on strike,' Laidler told News Line.

He was sacked from the Northumberland pit while six men at nearby Ellington colliery were reinstated as a reward for deserting their union.

'I couldn't stand on those gates shouting at the scabs one day, only to join them the next,' he added.

'In this strike it was either go all the way or accept Thatcher's way. The 12 months showed me the way to fight and there's no way I'd ever bow to her.'

'I just hope that all those men who have applied for voluntary redundancy are the ones that went back or organised the scabbing. If we get shot of them then our union will be stronger than it was before.'

Laidler said TUC leaders had a lot to answer for failing to support the NUM.

GENERAL STRIKE FOR JOBS



ter Angelique

URGENT APPEAL NUM need cash to continue the fight

THE whole trade union movement has an urgent and immediate responsibility to step up financial support for the National Union of Mineworkers, even though the strike is over.

In refusing to sign an agreement with the Coal Board accepting the loss of jobs, and refusing to purge its contempt in front of Thatcher's Bonapartist courts, the NUM are abiding by TUC policy. But for carrying out TUC policy — despite the refusal of the TUC leaders to take a similar principled stand — the NUM have incurred the hatred of every department of state, the judiciary and the banks.

The conspiracy between the judiciary and the banks extends across national boundaries. The High Court in Britain have told the union that it will not release the union's funds from sequestration until the union trustees sign a declaration absolving the foreign banks from any future court action abroad.

Legal sources in Europe believe the NUM would have a good chance of bringing a successful legal action against foreign banks which freed NUM funds to the British court-appointed receiver. Even if the union regains its funds, it seems certain that huge costs, fines and loss of interest will deplete its resources.

Meanwhile, the union faces the prospect of repaying loans to those unions which would make no donations during the strike as well as paying the wages of staff and continuing the campaign for jobs.

Certain leading members of the union are still drawing no pay, even though the strike is now over. Most

importantly, the union has publicly appealed for financial support to sustain the families of 700 sacked men and those in jail.

In a recent letter to all supporters, NUM general secretary Peter Heathfield thanked all those who had donated financial assistance, but added:

'The first priority since the return to work has been to seek reinstatement at work for the many hundreds of men sacked and victimised by the National Coal Board during the strike.'

'Until these men have their jobs back, their welfare and that of their families is the responsibility of the National Union of Mineworkers and the wider labour movement.'

'To this end, the Trustees of the Miners' Solidarity Fund have confirmed their willingness to continue in office in order to assist with hardship, victimisation and welfare benefits to members and their families in line with the constitution of the Trust.'

'The National Executive Committee of this Union has therefore determined that, to ensure a uniformity in the treatment of all cases, all future contributions intended for hardship and solidarity shall be directed to the Miners' Solidarity Fund and NUM Areas have been notified accordingly.'

All contributions should be sent to:

**Co-operative Bank PLC
84/86 West Street,
SHEFFIELD,
South Yorkshire.**

Sort Code: 08 90 75 Account Number: 30000009
Official receipts are available.

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We got the backing at Congress, but then it was left to the rank and file. Trade unionists should have come out in a General Strike,' he said.

Thatcher's now on her high horse. No matter who's next she'll take them on and defeat them. She's already proved what lengths she's prepared to go to to sack the unions.

If we let privatisation into the health service then it'll be into everything else with wages being pushed down.

'You'll get men coming long to employers and offering to do work cheaper than the next man. It'll be all throat competition between workers.'

Laidler believes that a stalemate exists with the mining industry in the aftermath of the strike.

But he warned: 'The NCB is taking advantage of the situation. They are taking absolute liberties with the men by introducing shift changes.'

It's just spite. They are taking their revenge against the lads who stuck it out for months. But I don't believe the miners are defeated. I, for one, was ready to lay out another 12 months.'

YOUNG SOCIALISTS MARCH TO DEFEND TRADE UNIONS AND BASIC RIGHTS

MAY 18 — JUNE 30

THE YOUNG Socialists have announced a six-week march of youth throughout Britain in defence of jobs.

Young people from all over the country leave Edinburgh, Scotland, on May 18 to begin the six-week trek, climaxing in a mass rally at the Alexandra Pavilion, north London, on June 30.

Sacked miners from the various coalfields will also take part. And one of the march's main demands will be for the release of all class-war prisoners.

Two other legs of the march will start from Swansea in South Wales and Liverpool.

Young Socialists national secretary Julie Hyland has called on members and supporters to join the march, which is already finding widespread support among the mining communities and other sections of the trade union movement.

The marchers will pass through the coalfields and the rate-capped boroughs where councils are currently defying Tory law in defence of jobs and services.

They will demand that the TUC call the General Strike for jobs, uniting youth and adult trade unionists in the fight for a future.

- RELEASE JAILED MINERS!
- REINSTATE SACKED STRIKERS!
- FIGHT PIT CLOSURES!
- SMASH THE ANTI-UNION LAWS!
- NO SCAB LABOUR SCHEMES FOR YOUTH!



THE ROUTE OF THE MARCH

MAIN ROUTE

MAY 18 Bilston Glen to Westerhailes, Edinburgh
MAY 19 Edinburgh to Dunfermline
MAY 20 Dunfermline, Oakley, Kincardine
MAY 21 Kincardine, Fallin, Stirling
MAY 22 Stirling to Cumbernauld
MAY 23 Cumbernauld to Glasgow
MAY 24 Glasgow to Kilmarnock
MAY 25 Kilmarnock to Cumnock
MAY 26 Cumnock to Ashington
MAY 27 Ashington to Blythe
MAY 28 Blythe to Newcastle
MAY 29 Newcastle to Westoe, South Shields
MAY 30 Westoe to Wearmouth
MAY 31 Wearmouth to Seaham
JUNE 1 Seaham to Easington
JUNE 2 Easington to Yorks
JUNE 3 Selby to Castleford
JUNE 4 Castleford to Leeds
JUNE 5 Leeds
JUNE 6 Leeds to Bradford
JUNE 7 Bradford to Halifax
JUNE 8 Halifax to Huddersfield
JUNE 9 Huddersfield to Wakefield
JUNE 10 Wakefield to Grimethorpe
JUNE 11 Grimethorpe to Doncaster
JUNE 12 Doncaster to Barnsley
JUNE 13 Barnsley to Rotherham
JUNE 14 Rotherham to Sheffield
JUNE 15 Sheffield
JUNE 16 Sheffield to Chesterfield
JUNE 17 Chesterfield to Shirebrook
JUNE 18 Shirebrook to Warsop, Clipstone, Mansfield
JUNE 19 Mansfield to Nottingham
JUNE 20 Nottingham to Leicester
JUNE 21 Leicester to Corby
JUNE 22 Corby to Northampton
JUNE 23 Northampton to Bedford
JUNE 24 Bedford to Luton
JUNE 25 Luton to Stevenage
JUNE 26 Stevenage to Welwyn Garden City
JUNE 27 Welwyn to London

NORTH WEST ROUTE

JUNE 1 Liverpool, Pier Head
JUNE 2 Liverpool

JUNE 3 Liverpool to Warrington
JUNE 4 Warrington to St Helens
JUNE 5 St Helens, Sutton Manor, Bold
JUNE 6 Bold to Wigan
JUNE 7 Wigan, Leigh, Salford
JUNE 8 Manchester
JUNE 9 Manchester to Winsford
JUNE 10 Winsford to Crewe
JUNE 11 Crewe to Stoke-on-Trent
JUNE 12 Stoke-on-Trent
JUNE 13 Stoke-on-Trent to Stafford
JUNE 14 Stafford to Cannock
JUNE 15 Cannock to Wolverhampton
JUNE 16 Wolverhampton to Walsall
JUNE 17 Walsall to Birmingham
JUNE 18 Birmingham
JUNE 19 Birmingham to Nuneaton
JUNE 20 Nuneaton to Coventry
JUNE 21 Coventry to Daventry
JUNE 22 Daventry to Northampton
JOINS MAIN MARCH

SOUTH WALES ROUTE

JUNE 1 Swansea to Pontardawe
JUNE 2 Pontardawe to Seven Sisters
JUNE 3 Seven Sisters to Glyn-Neath
JUNE 4 Glyn-Neath to Aberdare
JUNE 5 Aberdare to Abercynon
JUNE 6 Abercynon to Merthyr
JUNE 7 Merthyr
JUNE 8 Merthyr to Bedlinog
JUNE 9 Bedlinog to Ystradgynbach
JUNE 10 Ystradgynbach to Newbridge
JUNE 11 Newbridge to Abertillery
JUNE 12 Abertillery to Newport
JUNE 13 Newport to Chepstow
JUNE 14 Chepstow to Bristol
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JUNE 18 Chippenham to Swindon
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JUNE 21 Hungerford to Newbury
JUNE 22 Newbury to Reading
JUNE 23 Reading to Maidenhead
JUNE 24 Maidenhead to Slough
JUNE 25 Slough to Southall
JOINS MAIN MARCH

YOUR TV GUIDE

SATURDAY



Eileen Atkins as Tamora queen of the Goths in 'Titus Andronicus', Shakespeare's catalogue of murder and mutilation on BBC2 at 8.40



Stephanie Kramer as Sgt. Dee Dee McCall is half of a tough crime-busting team in 'Hunter' on ITV at 8.30

BBC1

6.45-8.25 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.45 The National Interest, 7.10 Luminance and Spectroscopy, 7.35 Marking Time, 8.00 Wittgenstein: The Quest for Meaning.

8.30 The Saturday Picture Show, 11.05 Daleks — Invasion Earth 2150 AD, 12.27 Weather News.

12.30 GRANDSTAND: 1.05 News Summary; 12.35 Football Focus; Squash (1.10, 2.00); Judo — TSB Open Championship from Crystal Palace (1.40); World Snooker (2.00, 4.15); Boxing — The British Lightweight Championship from Wolverhampton (3.10); Rugby League (3.30, 3.55); 4.40 Final Score.

5.10 NEWS; Weather News

5.20 SPORT

5.25 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF WONDER WOMAN Lynda Carter stars as the crime fighter extraordinaire in *Knockout*

6.10 TERRY AND JUNE

6.40 THE LAST TRAIN FROM GUN HILL Kirk Douglas tracks down his Indian wife's killer to find he is the son of an old friend Anthony Quinn. 1959 Western with Earl Holliman as the youth

8.10 THE KENNY EVERETT TELEVISION SHOW

8.40 DYNASTY

9.30 NEWS AND SPORT Weather News

9.45 MATCH OF THE DAY Jimmy Hill with action from today's Canon League First Division matches

10.35 SATURDAY NIGHT OUT Late-night entertainment from one of London's top disco nightspots, featuring Kim Wilde, Jim Diamond, Vanderbilt and Bergdorf, The Vicious Boys and Dusty Springfield

11.30 LATE LATE HORROR Frankenstein Created Woman Peter Cushing resurrects a woman with the soul of a wrongly executed man in this 1966 Hammer horror film

1.00 Weather; Closedown

BBC2

6.25-3.10 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.25 Product Design, 6.50 Potsdam 4, 7.15 Special Needs in Education, 7.40 Steel, Stars and Spectra, 8.05 Ecology, 8.30 Mendelssohn's Dream, 8.55 Education, 9.20 Animal Physiology, 9.45 Statistics, 10.10 Calculus, 10.35 The Happiest Days of Your Life, 11.00 Ocean Crust, 11.25 Geology, 11.50 17th-century Navigation, 12.40 Art and Environment, 1.05 Changing Countryside, 1.30 The Quantum Wave Equation, 1.55 Einstein's Belief, 2.20 Modern Art: Kirchner, 2.45 Balzac and the Visual Arts.

3.10 SATURDAY CINEMA The Russians are Coming, the Russians are Coming (1966) Alan Arkin's Russian submarine is beached off Cape Cod, an event that leads to a chain of comic misunderstandings. With Eva Marie Saint, Brian Keith, Carl Reiner

5.10 WORLD SNOOKER David Vine with highlights of the first seven frames of the final, from Sheffield

6.15 SHAKESPEARE IN PERSPECTIVE Anthony's Clare's view of 'Titus Andronicus', this evening's play

6.40 THE DAY THE UNIVERSE CHANGED Credit Where It's Due presented by James Burke

7.30 NEWS AND SPORT Weather

7.45 WORLD SNOOKER Frames 8-16 of the 35-frame final of the Embassy World Professional Championship

8.40 THE BBC TELEVISION SHAKESPEARE: Titus Andronicus Trevor Peacock is Titus in this production by Shaun Sutton, directed by Jane Howell. (Interval at 10.05)

11.30 RUGBY SPECIAL Highlights from Bath v London Welsh and Cardiff v Llanelli

12.20 WORLD SNOOKER further coverage

1.35 Closedown

CHANNEL 4

1.00 BLACK AND WHITE AND READ ALL OVER Series on children's books

1.30 ENTHUSIASTS Richard Cawthorne and King of the Blues

2.00 ROXIE HART (1942) Comedy satire with Ginger Rogers as a wisecracking dancer who confesses to murder in order to obtain publicity

3.20 HERE COMES MR JORDAN (1941) Robert Montgomery as a boxer who ends up in Heaven 50 years before he is due to die when an astral messenger makes a mistake

5.05 BROOKSIDE

6.00 THE MAX HEADROOM SHOW Max Headroom introduces pop videos

6.30 NO PROBLEM! Call It Basil When Angel is away on holiday, Beast has moved into the Powell household

7.00 NEWS SUMMARY and Weather; followed by **7 DAYS**

7.30 UNION WORLD A report on the miners sacked by the National Coal Board during the miners' strike and since, and a report by Anne Lester on the situation in Scotland

8.00 TALES FROM A LONG ROOM The Lady Wife From his study in the village of Witney Scroton, the Brigadier reveals more intimate details of the 'lady wife'

8.15 WINSTON CHURCHILL: THE WILDERNESS YEARS In High Places Robert Hardy plays Winston Churchill

9.15 20/20 VISION: DIVIDED BRITAIN A Club in the North

10.00 HILL STREET BLUES G.Q. Davenport angers her bosses when she ruins her case against a ghetto youth

10.55 THE LATE CLIVE JAMES

11.40 NAKED CITY Take off Your Hat when a Funeral Passes Adam Flint (Paul Burke) and Arcaro (Harry Bellaver) are assigned to tail Paul Delitto (Lee J. Cobb), who is hunting for his brother-in-law

12.40 THE PAUL HOGAN SHOW

1.05 Closedown

LWT

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 LWT Information, 9.30 Strawberry Shortcake, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 The Fall Guy.

12.15 WORLD OF SPORT: 12.20 Boxing from Texas; 12.30, 3.10 Cycling, the Spring Classics; 12.45 News from ITN; 12.50 On the Ball; 1.20, 2.25 Darts from Wembley; 2.05 Racing from Sandown (2.15, 2.55, 3.35); 3.45 Half-Time Round-Up; 4.00 Wrestling from Halifax; 4.45 Results.

5.00 NEWS FROM ITN

5.05 HAPPY DAYS Affairs of the Heart

5.30 CONNECTIONS with Sue Robbie

6.00 THE SATURDAY 6 O'CLOCK SHOW Presented by Michael Aspel with Cheryl Baker, Gary Wilmot and Danny Baker

6.45 THE GRUMBLEWEEDS RADIO SHOW

7.15 THE PRICE IS RIGHT Presented by Leslie Crowther

8.15 NEWS FROM ITN AND SPORT

8.30 HUNTER A cynical sergeant and hard-nosed policewoman

10.20 LONDON NEWS HEADLINES followed by

AUF WIEDERSEHEN, PET Love and Other Four Letter Words

11.20 HITLER — THE LAST TEN DAYS (1973) Reconstruction of Hitler's last days in the bunker as Berlin crumbles around him and his armies meet with defeat after defeat. With Alec Guinness, Eric Porter and Timothy West

1.10 RICKIE LEE JONES: ROUND ABOUT MIDNIGHT The rock-soul singer in concert at the Casino de Paris

2.00 Night Thoughts and Closedown

S4C

1.20 Farming On 4, 1.50 A Week in Politics, 3.00 Repercussions, 4.05 American at War: Bataan, 6.05 Where in the World? 6.30 The Avengers, 7.30 Newyddion, 7.45 Sion A Sian, 8.15 Portreadau, 8.45 Canu Penillion, 9.15 Y Maes Chwarae, 10.30 Hill Street Blues, 11.30 Film: *The Black Room*, 12.45 Close.

RADIO

1 News on the half-hour until 12.30p.m., 2.30, 3.30, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30 and 12 midnight.
6.00 Mark Page, 8.00 Peter Powell, 10.00 Dave Lee Travis, 1.00 30 Years of Rock (S), 2.00 Paul Gambaccini (S), 4.00 Saturday Live (S), 6.30 In Concert (S) King, 7.30 Graham Bannerman; plus JoBoxers and The Roaring Boys, 9.30-12.00 Dixie Peach.
2 News on the hour until 1.00p.m., then 3.00 and from 6.00 (except 8.00 and 9.00). Headlines 6.30a.m., 7.30.
4.00 Brian Ford (S), 6.00 George Ferguson (S), 8.05 David Jacobs (S), 10.00 Sounds of the 60s (S), 11.00 Album Time (S) (11.02 Sports Desk), 1.00 The News Huddlines, 1.30 Sport on 2, 6.00 Folk on 2, 7.00 Jump! 7.30 Cricket Scoreboard; Owain Arwel Hughes (S) (8.20-8.40 Interval), 9.30 Big Band Special (S), 10.02 Sports Desk, 10.05 Steve Jones (S), 12.05 Night Owls (S), 1.00 Peter Dickson (S) presents Night-ride, 3.00-4.00 Wally Whyton (S).
3 6.55 Weather, 7.00 News, 7.05 Aubade (S) Wagner, Britten, Handel, Weill, Verdi, Tippett, Strauss, Liszt, Mozart, Tchaikovsky, 9.00 News, 9.05 Record Review (S) incl Building a
Library: Shostakovich's Cello Concerto No.1, 10.15 Stereo Release (S) Simon Mayr, Franck, 11.15 Concert from Leeds (S) Berlioz, Strauss (11.45 Interval) Shostakovich Symphony No.8, 1.00 News, 1.05 International Dances (S) Moszkowski, Brahms, Liszt, 2.00 Handel and the Bards (S) Handel, Handel arr. Mozart and Beethoven, 4.20 Alexander Scriabin (S) Piano music: Ogdon, Fedorova and Ashkenazy, 5.00 Jazz Record Requests (S), 5.45 Critics' Forum, 6.35 Music for the Iron Voice (S) Marco Antonio, Cavazzoni and Claudio Merulo, 7.10 Long Ago, 7.30 Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra (S) Beethoven Symphony No.4 (8.05-8.25 From a Great Height) Strauss Ein Heldenleben, 9.30 Penes Musicales (S) Thalberg's Soirees de Pausilippe, 10.15 Solo and Concertino (S) Wassenaer, Vivaldi, Locatelli, 11.00 Peter Schreier (S) Schubert's 'Schwanengesang', 11.57-12.00 News.
VHF: 6.35-6.55 Open University, 6.55 Shipping Forecast, 6.00 News Briefing, 6.10 Prelude (S), 6.30 News; Farming Today, 6.50 Prayer for the Day, 6.55 Weather; Travel, 7.00 News, 7.10 Today's Papers, 7.15 On Your Farm, 7.45 In Perspective, 7.50 Down To Earth, 7.55 Weather; Travel, 8.00 News, 8.10 Today's Papers, 8.15 Sport On 4, 8.48 Yesterday in Parliament, 8.57 Weather; Travel, 9.00 News, 9.05 Breakaway, 9.50 News Stand, 10.05 The Week in Westminster, 10.30 Pick of The Week (S), 11.30 From Our Own Correspondent, 12.00 News; Money Box, 12.27 Nineteen Ninety-Four (S), 12.55 Weather, 1.00 News, 1.10 Any Questions? 1.55 Shipping Forecast, 2.00 News; The Afternoon Play: *The Power of Dawn* with Sir Michael Redgrave as Tolstoy, 2.50 A Whiff of Trafalgar, 3.00 News; Instant Sunshine ... Reasonably Together Again (S), 3.30 The Performing Flea, 4.15 Enterprise, 4.45 Up-Helly-Aa, 5.00 Wildlife (S), 5.25 Week Ending (S), 5.50 Shipping Forecast, 5.55 Weather; Travel, 6.00 News; Sports Round-Up, 6.25 Desert Island Discs (S), 7.05 Stop The Week With Robert Robinson (S), 7.45 Baker's Dozen (S), 8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre (S) *The Inter-city Contract*, 9.58 Weather, 10.00 News, 10.15 Evening Service (S), 10.30 The Great Peace-makers, 11.00 Science Now, 11.30 In Other Words ... The Bodgers (S), 12.00-12.15 News; Weather, 12.33 Shipping Forecast, 12.55-1.00 Weather; Travel, 1.55-2.00, 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 Morning Glory, 9.30 Scooby Doo, 9.55 Young Lookaround, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 Chips, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.00 News, 5.05 Film: *The Domsday Flight*, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15 The Price is Right, 8.15 News, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 Just Jazz, 11.50 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 Cartoon Time, 9.35 Scooby Doo, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 Chips, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.00 News, 5.05 Goliath Awaits, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15 The Price is Right, 8.15 News, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 Spitting Image, 11.50 Portrait of a Legend, 12.20 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; Cartoon Time, 9.35 Scooby Doo, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 Captain Scarlet, 11.50 Joanie Loves

Chachi, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.00 News, 5.05 Cartoon Alphabet, 5.35 Six Million Dollar Man, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15 The Price is Right, 8.15 News, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 The Master, 12.20 Closedown.

TSW

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 Cartoon Time, 9.30 Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons, 9.57 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 Freeze Frame, 12.12 TSW Regional News, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.10 Film: *Billion Dollar Threat*, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15 The Price is Right, 8.15 News; Sport, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 Hotel, Amigo, 12.20 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 Porky Pig, 9.35 Scooby Doo, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 The Green Hornet, 11.45 Birdman and Galaxy Trio, 12.12 TVS Weather, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.00 News; TVS News, 5.10 Connections, 5.40 Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel, 5.50 Knight Rider, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15

The Price is Right, 8.15 News; Sport, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 The Who — Final Concert, 12.25 Company; Closedown.

HTV WEST

6.15 Good Morning Britain, 9.25 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel, 9.30 Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons, 10.00 No.73, 11.20 Fireball XL5, 11.50 Just Our Luck, 12.13 HTV News, 12.15 World of Sport (12.45 News), 5.00 News; HTV News, 5.05 Film: *The Domsday Flight*, 6.45 The Grumbleweeds Radio Show, 7.15 The Price is Right, 8.15 News; Sport, 8.30 Hunter, 10.20 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet, 11.20 Genesis in America, 12.20 HTV Weather; Closedown.

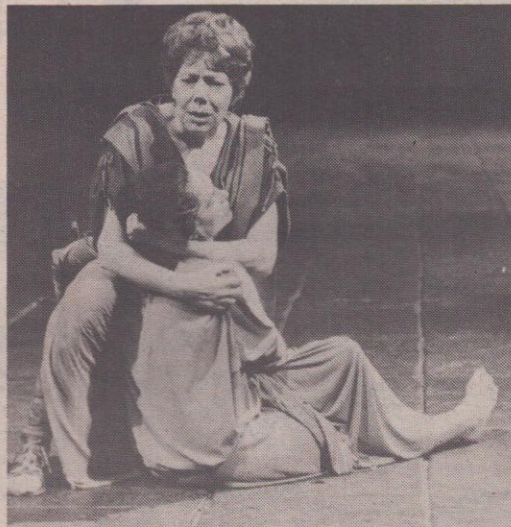
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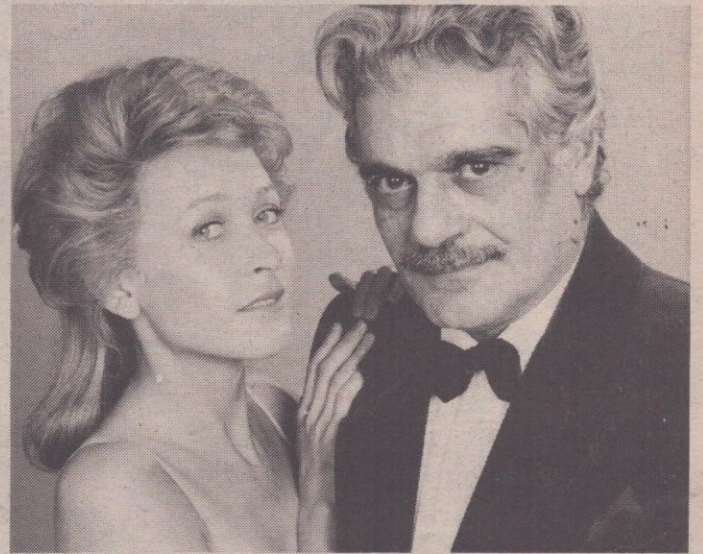
SUNDAY



Richard Chamberlain interferes with a train taking Hungarian Jews to the concentration camps in 'Wallenberg: The Forgotten Hero' on ITV at 7.45pm



Dame Janet Baker and Elisabeth Speiser in Gluck's opera 'Orfeo ed Euridice' on 4 at 2.30



Omar Sharif and Jeanne Moreau in Sartre's 'Vicious Circle' at 7.45 on BBC1

BBC1

6.45-8.50 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.45 Data Transmission Networks. 7.10 Porphyry Copper Deposits. 7.35 Aluminium in Lynemouth. 8.00 Genetics. 8.25 Chemistry.

8.55 Play School. 9.15 Superbook. 9.30 This is the Day. 10.00 Asian Magazine. 10.30 Use Your Head. 10.55 Greek Language and People. 11.20 Letting Go. 11.45 The Learning Machine. 12.10 See Hear! 12.35 Farming. 12.58 Weather News for Farmers. 1.00 News Headlines. 1.05 Italy Welcomes the Princess. 1.30 World of Wildlife. 2.00 Eastenders. 3.00 Film Matinee: *Assault on a Queen* Frank Sinatra in a tale of modern-day piracy, with Virna Lisi (1966). 4.40 Tom and Jerry. 4.50 Top Gear (with regional variations). 5.20 Eurovision Song Contest Preview 1985. 5.50 Antiques Roadshow.

6.30 NEWS Weather News

6.40 SONGS OF PRAISE

7.15 SORRY! Ronnie Corbett returns as downtrodden Timothy Lumsden with Barbara Lott as his dragon of a mother and William Moore his ineffectual father

7.45 VICIOUS CIRCLE Omar Sharif, Jeanne Moreau and Cherie Lunghi in a production of Jean Paul Sartre's 'Huis Clos'. Three people who have never met are shown into a mysterious room. As they probe each other's dark secrets, they understand the horrifying fate that awaits them

9.25 THAT'S LIFE

10.10 NEWS; Weather News

10.25 THE ROCK GOSPEL SHOW

11.00 THE COMING OF AGE A look at action groups for pensioners

11.30 A FAMILY BAND with Roy Castle

12.00 Weather; Closedown

BBC WALES: 2.00-3.00 Weekend Rugby Union: Cardiff v Llanelli. 4.50-5.20 A Question of Sport. 10.25 Music Makers. 11.20 The Rock Gospel Show. 11.55 The Coming of Age. 12.20 News; Weather; Close.

Ronnie Corbett is back in 'Sorry' on BBC1 at 7.15

BBC2

6.50-1.55 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.50 Ethnic Minorities. 7.15 Life History Interviews. 7.40 A Woman's Hospital? 8.05 Music Harmony. 8.30 A Year with Three Children. 8.55 Maths Methods. 9.20 A Woman's Place? 9.45 Maths. 10.10 Pure Maths. 10.35 Computing. 11.00 Technology. 11.25 Education. 11.50 Biology. 12.15 Immigration Officers. 12.40 Who's Your Teacher. Mum? 1.05 Michelangelo. 1.30 Canal and Harbour Modelling.

1.55 SUNDAY GRANDSTAND: World Snooker: The Embassy World Professional Championship; Squash: Commentary from London on the Davies and Tate British Open Championships

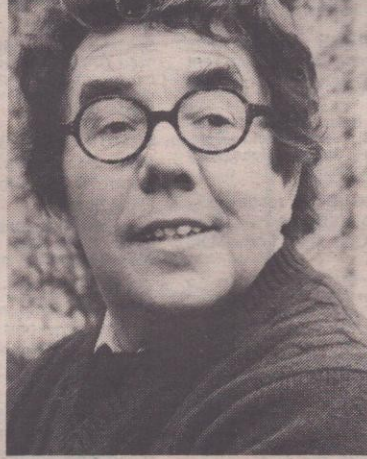
6.20 NEWS REVIEW with subtitles

6.45 WORLD SNOOKER David Vine introduces live coverage of the final session in the Embassy World Professional Snooker from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield

10.10 BLEAK HOUSE Part 3. Arthur Hopcraft's 8-part dramatisation of one of Dicken's greatest novels. Diana Rigg and Denholm Elliott head the cast

11.05 WORLD SNOOKER Highlights of the final

12.05 Closedown



CHANNEL 4

1.05 IRISH ANGLE

1.30 TENNIS THAT COUNTS *Heavy and Light*

2.00 A QUESTION OF ECONOMICS *Welfare State or Going Private?*

2.30 OPERA ON 4 *Orfeo ed Euridice* A repeat showing of Sir Peter Hall's acclaimed staging of Gluck's masterpiece for the 1981 Glyndebourne Festival in which Dame Janet Baker gave her farewell appearance on the operatic stage

5.00 BIRDS OF BRITAIN *Concerning Swans* . . . Andrew Sachs narrates this film about the mute swan, currently under threat from a surprising source of pollution

5.30 NEWS SUMMARY AND WEATHER followed by

THE BUSINESS PROGRAMME

6.15 INTERNATIONAL VOLLEYBALL *Oce Dynamo Tournament, Apeldoorn* Highlights from the semi-finals and final of the men's tournament

7.15 KILIMANJARO Ian Holm narrates this film on Africa's highest mountain, a dormant volcano harbouring a breathtaking variety of landscapes and encapsulating the entire history of the earth in a single ecosystem

8.15 MAPP & LUCIA *The Italian Connection* Third in the drama series based on E.F. Benson's cult novels with Prunella Scales and Geraldine McEwan as the two ladies who collide in genteel and deadly enmity in 1920s provincial society

9.15 iGUITARRA! *Homage*

9.50 OPINIONS *Tom Sargant: 'The Injustice of British Justice'*

10.20 TRIO (1950) Second compendium film based on Somerset Maugham stories introduced by the writer himself. With James Hayter, Kathleen Harrison, Nigel Patrick and Anne Crawford

12.05 Closedown

LWT

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 LWT Information. 9.30 Porky Pig. 9.45 Speedy and Daffy. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Link. 11.30 Breakthrough. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Police 5. 1.15 The Big Match. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 London News Headlines; followed by Afternoon Affair *Three Coins in the Fountain* (1954) Three American secretaries find romance in Rome; with Clifton Webb and Dorothy McGuire. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 Benson. 6.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy.

6.30 NEWS FROM ITN

6.40 HIGHWAY

7.15 THE PRACTICE

7.45 WALLEMBERG: THE LOST HERO Two-part drama about Raoul Wallenberg, son of a wealthy Swedish family, who joined the diplomatic corps in Hungary in 1944 to help rescue Hungarian Jews. With Richard Chamberlain, Melanie Mayron and Bibi Anderson

9.15 NEWS FROM ITN

9.30 TALES OF THE UNEXPECTED *Mrs Bixby and The Colonel's Coat* with Jule Harris, Michael Horden and Richard Greene

10.00 ONE SUMMER Second part in this serial in which David Morrissey and Spencer Leigh play two Liverpool teenagers who run away to Wales

11.00 LONDON NEWS HEADLINES followed by

AMERICAN DOCUMENTARY *Who Remembers Mama?* Documentary film about the economic and emotional experiences of middle-aged women facing divorce

11.55 Night Thoughts followed by Closedown

GRANADA

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Miniature Chess Masterpieces. 9.30 Window on the World. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Breakthrough. 11.25 Aap Kaa Hak. 11.30 This is Your Right. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Champions. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Sunday Matinee: *Man from Tangier* with Robert Hutton and Lisa Gastoni. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 The Protectors. 5.30 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.00 Now You See It.

6.30 ITN NEWS

6.40 HIGHWAY

7.15 THE PRACTICE

7.45 WALLEMBERG: THE LOST HERO The Wallenbergs, one of Sweden's wealthiest families, lived in comfortable neutrality during World War II. But in 1944 Raoul Wallenberg decided to take action against the systematic extermination of Europe's Jews and got an appointment with the Swedish diplomatic corps in Hungary

9.15 ITN NEWS

9.30 TALES OF THE UNEXPECTED *Mrs Bixby and the Colonel's Coat*

10.00 ONE SUMMER Episode two of this drama series with David Morrissey and Spencer Leigh as 15-year-old Liverpool truants who run away to Wales to find they are still not wanted

11.00 THE LATE FILM *Not Now Darling* (1972) Based on the West End farce, film with Leslie Phillips and Moira Lister. The owner of a fur shop is worried when he thinks his mistress's husband has found out about their affair

12.40 Closedown

S4C

1.40 Union World. 2.10 Gardeners' Calendar Roadshow. 2.40 Sunday Opera: Tosca. 5.00 The Wine Programme. 5.30 The Business Programme. 6.15 International Volleyball. 7.15 Sioe Siarad. 7.30 Newyddion. 7.35 Tocyn Tramor. 8.10 Pwy Sy'n Perthyn? 8.40 Almanac. 9.15 Dechrau Canu. Dechrau Canmol. 9.45 Diwedd Canu. Diwedd Canmol? 10.20 Snnwcer. 12.30 Close.

RADIO

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

6.00 Mark Page. 8.00 Peter Powell. 10.00 Steve Wright. 12.30 Jimmy Savile's 'Old Record' Club. 2.30 Adrian Juste. 4.30 The Great Rock 'n' Roll Trivia Quiz. 5.00 Top 40 (S). 7.00 Anne Nightingale (S). 9.00 Robbie Vincent (S). 11.00-12.00 The Ranking Miss P (S).

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

4.00 Brian Ford (S). 6.00 George Ferguson (S). 7.30 Roger Royle (S). 9.00 Melodires for You (S). 11.00 Desmond Carrington (S) (12.02 Sports Desk). 1.00 David Jacobs presents Two's Best (S). 2.00 Benny Green (S). 3.00 Alan Dell (S). 4.00 It's a Funny Business (S). 4.30 Sing Something Simple (S). 5.00 Charlie Chester (6.02 Sports Desk). 6.30 Twentieth-Century Troubadour. 7.00 Jack Rothstein. 7.30 Cricket Scoreboard; Glamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour. 9.00 Your Hundred Best Tunes. 10.02 Sports Desk. 10.05 Songs from the Shows. 10.45 Philip Challis at the piano. 11.00 Sounds of Jazz. 1.00 Peter Dickson (S) presents Nightride. 3.00-

4.00 David Jacobs presents Two's Best (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Amadeus Quartet (S) Haydn. Schubert. 8.00 Bach Cantatas 1724 (S) No.12. 8.25 Domenico Scarlatti (S). 9.00 News. 9.05 Your Concert Choice (S) Mozart, Kubelik, Strauss. 10.30 Music Weekly (S). 11.15 Boston Symphony Orchestra (S) Verdi, Ives (11.45-11.50 Words) Dvorak Symphony No.5. 12.35 Felicity Lott and Graham Johnson (S) Songs by Britten and Schumann. 1.10 C.P.E. Bach (S). 1.45 Ravel and Prokofiev (S) Piano recital. 2.30 Mazzeppa (S) Tchaikovsky's opera (3.30-3.35. 4.40-4.45 Interval). 5.30 New Premises. 6.15 English Music (S) George Lloyd Piano Concerto No.2. Michael Ball. 7.15 Birtwistle and Goehr (S). 8.15 Prometheus Mismatched (S) by Andre Gide. 9.00 Halle Orchestra (S) Rossini. Chopin (9.45-9.55 Interval) Shostakovich. 11.00 Oscar Shumsky and Roger Vignoles (S) Violin and piano music by Schubert, Dvorak and Hindemith. 11.57-12.00 News.

4 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Prelude (S). 6.30 News; Morning Has Broken. 6.55 Weather;

Travel. 7.00 News. 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Over New Leaves. 7.55 Weather; Travel. 8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Appeal. 8.55 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Letter from America. 9.30 Morning Service. 10.15 The Archers. 11.15 The Food Programme. 11.40 Homeing In. 12.10 It's Your World 01-580 4411. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend; News. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30 The Afternoon Play (S) *Mirror, Signal, Manoeuvre*. 3.45 In Wellington's Boots. 4.00 News; Herbert Farjeon's Cricket Bag. 4.30 The Living World. 5.00 News; Travel. 5.05 Down Your Way. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 News. 6.15 More Wrestling than Dancing. 6.45-7.45 Open University. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 4.00-6.00 Study On 4.

TYNE TEES

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Morning Glory. 9.30 Link. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Breakthrough. 11.25 Lookaround. 11.30 Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Farming Outlook. 1.30 The Smurfs. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Tell Me My Name. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.00 Bullseye. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Barney Miller. 11.30 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 9.30 Breakthrough. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Link. 11.30 Gardening Time. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 1.30 Here and Now. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Nightside*. 4.20 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Goliath Awaits. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Film: *Blood Feud*. 12.45 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.35 Regional Weather; followed by Link. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Breakthrough. 11.30 Farming Diary; Farming

ROUND THE REGIONS

Weather. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Smurfs. 1.15 The Big Match. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 Cartoon Time. 2.45 Film: *Marriage is Alive and Well*. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 The Jimmy Young Television Programme. 6.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Vietnam Requiem. 12.00 Five Minutes; Closedown.

TSW

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Link; South West Link. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Breakthrough. 11.25 Look and See. 11.30 Kids and Other People. 11.55 Postscript. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Gardens for All. 1.30 Farming News. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Cartoon. 3.25 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 3.30 Scarecrow and Mrs King. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 Cartoon Alphabet. 6.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.30 News; Weather. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News; Weather. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Legmen. 11.55 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Action Line. 9.35 Atom Ant. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Link. 11.30 Breakthrough. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Agenda. 1.30 Enterprise South. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Film: *Escort for Hire*. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 Keep it in the Family. 5.55 TVS News. 6.00

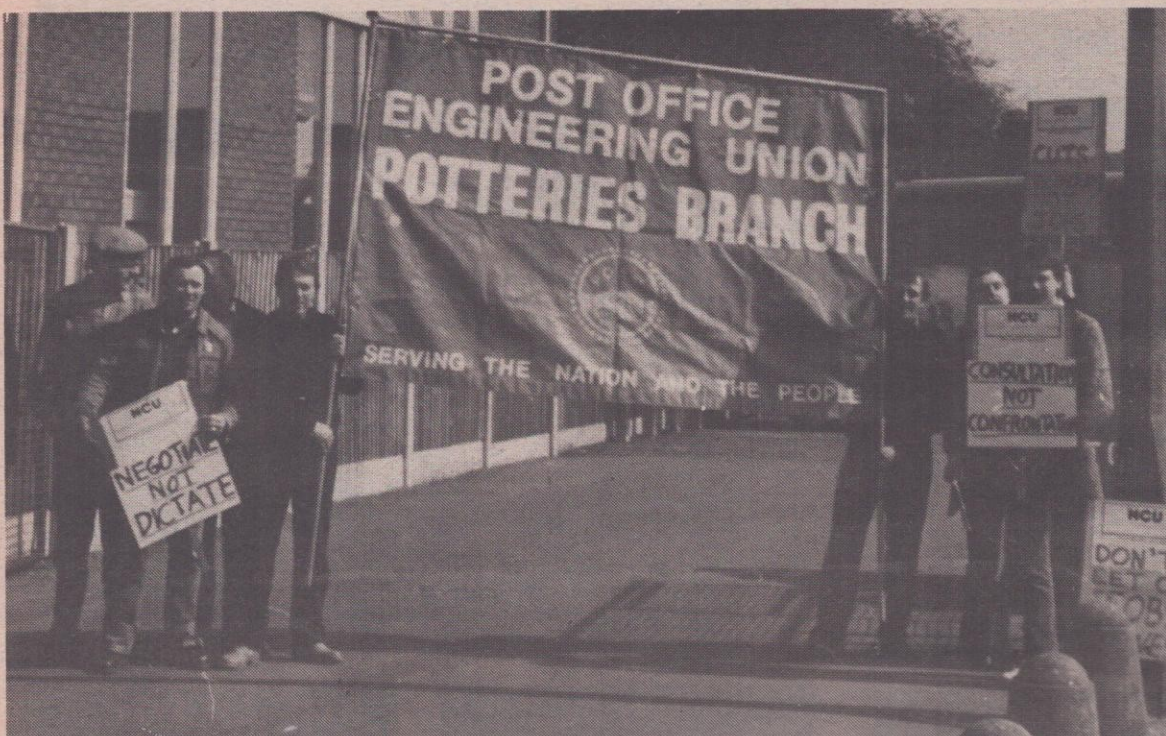
The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.30 News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend. 12.30 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 The Coral Reef. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Link. 11.30 Breakthrough. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 The Adventurer. 1.30 Farming Wales; Weather for Farmers. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 The Intrepid Mr Twigg. 4.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Definition. 5.30 Falcon Crest. 6.30 News; HTV News. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Look Familiar. 11.45 Nature of Things. 12.45 HTV Weather; Closedown.

ANGLIA

6.55 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 Survival. 10.00 Morning Worship. 11.00 Link. 11.30 Breakthrough. 12.00 Weekend World. 1.00 Silver Spoons. 1.25 Weather Trends. 1.30 Farming Diary. 2.00 A Full Life. 2.30 The Big Match. 3.15 Love Is . . . 4.15 Cartoon Time. 4.30 Travellers by Night. 5.00 Now You See It. 5.30 Happy Days. 6.00 The Prince and Princess of Wales in Italy. 6.30 News; Weather. 6.40 Highway. 7.15 The Practice. 7.45 Wallenberg: The Lost Hero. 9.15 News; Weather. 9.30 Tales of the Unexpected. 10.00 One Summer. 11.00 Keep it in the Family. 11.30 The Irish RM. 12.10 Epilogue; Closedown.



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BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

POST engineers have taken part this week in nationwide strike and picket action against cost and efficiency trials imposed without agreement.

The dispute began in Bournemouth on April 14 when two engineers were suspended for refusing to take part in the trials.

National Communication Union (formerly POEU) pickets were out in force in Stoke-on-Trent on Tuesday and Wednesday in sympathy with their Bournemouth colleagues and in defence of all postal engineers jobs as part of the union's official 48 hour stoppage.

They said 'we're not going to build our own scaffold.' A strike committee spokesman said the management were breaking a non-compulsory redundancy agreement negotiated to protect jobs while modern technology was being introduced.

He said a document had been leaked from postal HQ which showed that the management intended to cut out 50 per cent of all jobs.

Pickets were adamant that when natural wastage was finished, the management would get rid of everyone they didn't want.

Management scrutineers had been sent into Chelmsford Mechanical Letter Office who had told half the staff to sit down while the other half did all the work. It was a failure.

Mail was delayed and men had to be put on overtime to clear up the mess.

The union had wanted to talk about manning levels but management would not reveal what they wanted.

Protest

On Wednesday morning all the postal staff stopped work for 15 minutes and walked out to join the engineers in protest at their and engineers' supervisors doing the striking engineers' work.

150 post office engineers joined the nationwide strike action in Leeds.

Pickets gathered outside the mechanised letter sorting offices in Wellington Street and at the main parcels sorting offices at Stourton on Thursday.

NALGO strike against sacking

NALGO council workers at Runcorn and Widnes town halls have been out on an indefinite strike since last Tuesday closing all town hall offices, stopping rent and rates collection, and affecting other council services.

This is their first-ever strike.

The strike is over the suspension, pending dismissal, of NALGO representative Tony Jones from the property maintenance department.

At a mass meeting yesterday, Jones said: 'I am very very proud that you have all stood together to take action in my defence.'

'NALGO' is defending the future of all of us. I have made a mistake and am being used as a scapegoat.'

NALGO members later boycotted a disciplinary hearing called by the management and demonstrated outside.

Up to going to press the management have refused to meet the union thus breaching a national agreement.

The strikers are holding daily mass meetings and are determined to stay out until Jones is reinstated and are demanding a full and independent inquiry into all aspects of the incident.

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

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

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

SPRINGBURN: Wednesday May 1, 7.30p.m. Sighthill Primary School, Sighthill.

Speakers: **Colin Carberry** (Springburn YS); **David Hamilton** (Springburn WRP); **Simon Pirani** (WRP Central Committee); **Eddie Broom** (ASLEF Eastfield branch chairman, in personal capacity)

DUNFERMLINE: Thursday May 2, 7.30p.m. Touch Community Centre, Mercer Place, off Woodmill Road (next to Noddy's Neuk pub).

Speakers: **Alan MacKie** (YS National Committee); **Simon Pirani** (WRP Central Committee)

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)

CUMNOCK: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Cumnock Town Hall.

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

COATBRIDGE: Tuesday May 14, 7.30p.m. Corsewall Street Community Centre, Corsewall Street.

Speakers: **Helen Gallacher** (Coatbridge YS); **James Reid** (Coatbridge WRP); **Chris Corrigan** (WRP Central Committee)

RUTHERGLEN: Tuesday May 14, 7.30p.m. Burgh Hall, King Street. (One min from Main Street).

Speakers: **Mick McDade** (Rutherglen YS); **Chris Corrigan** (WRP Central Committee)

NORTH EAST

NEWCASTLE: Tuesday May 7, 7.30p.m. Newcastle Young Socialists Training Centre, 30 Lime Street, Byker.

Speakers: **Jimmy Cousins** (Newcastle YS); **Bob Bell** (Newcastle WRP); **Dave Temple** (WRP Central Committee)

HEBBURN: Thursday May 16, 7.30p.m. The Clock.

Speakers: **Andrew Morrissey** (YS National Committee); **Nick Brown** (Jarrow WRP)

SEAHAM: Wednesday May 22, 7.30p.m. The Rock House.

Speakers: **Andrew Morrissey** (YS National Committee); **Dave Temple** (WRP Central Committee)

NORTH WEST

KENSINGTON: Wednesday May 1, 7.30p.m. YS Training Centre, 100 Gloucester Place, Liverpool 6.

Speakers: **Cathy Flaherty** (YS Regional Committee); **Tony Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **Tony Williams** (UCW, in personal capacity)

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

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

HYDE: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Crown Hotel, Market Street.

Speakers: **Chris McBride** (YS Regional Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee)

BURNLEY

Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. AUEW Rooms, Hargreave Street, opp. GPO.

Speakers: **Denise Fishwick** (YS Regional Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee); **George Reed** (T&GWU bus secretary)

SALFORD: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. Broadwalk Library, Salford Precinct.

Speakers: **Andrew Ellis** (YS Regional Committee); **Ray Waring** (WRP Central Committee); **In personal capacity: Ken Memory** (Convenor Salford Cleansing Department); **John Clarke** (T&GWU)

DINGLE: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. Great Eastern Public House, Mill Street, Liverpool 8.

Speakers: **Cathy Flaherty** (YS Regional Committee); **Frank Singer** (WRP Central Committee)

WINSFORD: Friday May 10, 7.30p.m. Mount Pleasant Community Centre, Cheviot Square.

Speakers: **Dave Curzon** (Crewe 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 Sefton Trades Council, in personal capacity)

KIRKBY: Wednesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Kirkby Unemployed Centre, Leaside Avenue.

Speakers: **Wayne Chand** (YS National Committee); **John Simons** (WRP North West District Committee)

SKELMERSDALE: Wednesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Quarry Bank Community Centre.

Speakers: **Paul Borrowes** (YS Regional Committee); **Frank Singer** (WRP Central Committee)

BIRKENHEAD: Thursday May 16, 7.30p.m. Trade Union & Unemployed Centre, Hamilton Street.

Speakers: **Dave Griffiths** (Birkenhead YS); **Tony Banda** (WRP Central Committee); **In personal capacity: Helen McAndrew** (NUT); **John Burns** (NUPE)

STOCKPORT: Wednesday May 22, 7.30p.m. Purple Room, Trade Union Centre, High Street.

Speakers: **John Oldham** (YS Regional Committee); **Ray Waring** (WRP Central Committee)

MANCHESTER: Thursday May 23, 7.30p.m. Longsight Library, Stockport Road.

Speakers: **Lyn Waring** (YS National Committee); **Stuart Carter** (WRP Central Committee)

MOSS SIDE: Tuesday May 28, 7.30p.m. West Indian Sports and Social Centre, Westwood Street.

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

YORKSHIRE

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)

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. Gilbert Richards Centre, Broadway, Earlsdon.

Speakers: **Clive Andrews** (YS Regional Committee); **Corin Redgrave** (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from West Midlands NUM

EAST MIDLANDS

CHESTERFIELD: Thursday May 9, 7.30p.m. Room 3/4, Market Hall.

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

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

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

EASTERN

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

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

THETFORD: Thursday May 2, 7.30p.m. The Guildhall, Market Place.

Speakers: **Tony Hyland** (YS National Committee); **Fiona Cairns** (WRP District Committee)

NORWICH: Sunday May 12, 3p.m. The Appleyard Room, Norman Centre, Bignold Road.

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

WESTERN

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

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

BASINGSTOKE: Wednesday May 15, 7.30p.m. Danesmede Community Centre, Oatridge Road.

Speakers: **Jim Cooley** (YS Regional Committee); **Dave Good** (WRP Central Committee)

SOUTH WALES

MERTHYR: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. YS Training Centre, Wesley Hall, Pont Morlais.

Speakers: **Brian Morgan** (YS Regional Committee); **Travis Gould** (WRP Central Committee)

KENT

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

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

MIDDLESEX

ISLEWORTH: Tuesday May 7, 7.30p.m. Public Hall, South Street.

Speakers: **Jerry Ocran** (YS Regional Committee); **Richard Lugg** (Southall WRP and BAA shop steward, in personal capacity); **Lynne McEvoy** (NUPE nursing West Midx hospital, in personal capacity)

SOUTHALL: Thursday May 11, 7.30p.m. Beaconsfield Arms, West End Lane.

Speakers: **Jerry Ocran** (YS Regional Committee); **In personal capacity: Richard Lugg** (Southall WRP and BAA shop steward); **A Uppal** (Walls T&GWU shop steward)

HERTS

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)

ESSEX

BASILDON: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. Room 2, Pitsea Leisure Centre, Northlands Pavement.

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

LONDON

TULSE HILL: Wednesday May 8, 7.30p.m. St Martins Tenants Hall, (above Apollo Club), 373 Willesden High Road, NW10.

Speakers: **Frances Goldstein** (YS Regional Committee); **Paul Feldman** (WRP Central Committee)

WILLESDEN: Tuesday May 14, 7.30p.m. Trades & Labour Hall, (above Apollo Club), 373 Willesden High Road, NW10.

Speakers: **Matt Hanlon** (YS National Committee)

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Fast ground will suit By The Way

FAST ground specialist By The Way (2.55) will have conditions very much in his favour in the Whitbread Gold Cup at SANDOWN today.

Monica Dickinson's Irish import looks the form horse if he can reproduce his running behind eventual Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Forgive n' Forget at Haydock in early March.

By The Way looked certain to improve after his one and a half lengths second to Jimmy Fitzgerald's charge in the Timeform Chase, but was bitterly disappointing in the Ritz Club National Hunt Handicap Chase at Cheltenham 12 days later.

He started 7-4 favourite for the Festival race, but faded soon after the 18th in the

race that was won by West Tip.

Michael Oliver's charge is also in the line-up today, and he has been ante-post favourite since the four-day stage. Going well when falling at Becher's second time round at Aintree, West Tip has a good chance to recoup Aintree losses, but the ground may be against him this time.

Lambourn trainer Fulke Walwyn, with 'Whitbread' successes, has to be respected, and it would be a brave man who tried to separate his two runners, Special Cargo and Straight Accord.

Special Cargo has had this

race in his target since his win 12 months ago, and it would be no great surprise if he or Straight Accord won. Both have been lightly raced and the Walwyn stable has hit form with a vengeance this week.

Of the pair, Special Cargo just gets the vote, but forecast punters will do well to remember Walwyn's one-two in the Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival.

In what should be a fast run race, By The Way is napped to beat Special Cargo and Straight Accord.

The £25,000 added Guardian Classic Trial has a dis-

appointing turnout of only four. Although there are glowing reports about Michael Stoute's Gallant Archer, this prize should go to Damister (2.15), who was beaten six lengths by Shaded in the Craven Stakes last week.

Whatever the fate of Gallant Archer, Stoute should win the Esher Cup with Prince Lyph (4.10), who could be very smart indeed.

A winner at Leicester last season, Prince Lyph has a relatively simple task against this opposition.

Olivier Douieb's Parliament (3.35) has to be the selection in the Westbury Stakes.

Up at RIPON, Stoute should be on the mark with Scottish Reel (5.00) in the Creek View Farm Stakes.

SANDOWN ITV 2.15 2.55 3.35

DRAW: High numbers best over 5f particularly on soft ground

1.45 SANDOWN PARK TWO YR OLD MAIDEN STAKES £3,000 (c&g) 5f (13 runners)

1 (9)	ANWYL LAD R Hannon 90	A McGlone
2 (7)	0 BROKERS DREAM F Durr 90	B Thomson
3 (6)	CAMILLA'S BOY M Usher 90	B Rouse
4 (11)	CLIVEN (USA) G Harwood 90	G Starkey
5 (3)	FORCEFUL WAVE C Brittain 90	S Cauthen
8 (2)	MENSA MAN R J Williams 90	R Hills
9 (4)	MUMMY'S SECRET (FR) G P Gordon 90	W R Swinburn
11 (13)	NORTHERN LAD J Holt 90	R Cochrane
12 (5)	SCARAB M Usher 90	D Dineley
13 (10)	SIT THIS ONE OUT D Laing 90	W Carson
14 (12)	2 SYLVAN EXPRESS P Mitchell 90	J Matthis
15 (8)	3 TEETOY (USA) M Jarvis 90	B Raymond
16 (1)	0 TERE BINTH G P Gordon 90	D Gibson

PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Teetoy, 3-1 Cliven, 4-1 Mummy's Secret, 6-1 Forceful Wave, 8-1 Sylvan Express, 14-1 Sit This One Out, 16-1 Northern Lad, 20-1 others.

2.15 GUARDIAN CLASSIC TRIAL Group 3 £25,000 (3-Y-O c&g) 1m 2f (4 runners)

1 (2)	212-2 DAMISTER (USA) J Tree 87	S Cauthen
2 (1)	1- GALLANT ARCHER (USA) M Stoute 87	W R Swinburn
3 (4)	210- KAHAYLAN (USA) J Hindley 87	M Hills
5 (3)	1130- PETOSKI W Hearn 87	W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 on Damister, 3-1 Gallant Archer, 4-1 Petoski, 6-1 Kahaylan.

2.55 WHITBREAD GOLD CUP (HANDICAP CHASE) £35,000 3m 5f (23 runners)

1	11101-1 SPECIAL CARGO (C-D) F Walwyn 12 117	K Mooney
2	11104-1 STRAIGHT ACCORD F Walwyn 10 117	S Shilston
3	31111F WEST TIP (C-D)(BF) M Oliver 8 115	R Dunwoody
4	223F04 A KINSMAN J E Brockbank 9 110	T G Dun
5	114-10P DUKE OF MILAN (C) N A Gaselee 8 109	S Smith Eccles
6	30-001P FETHARD FRIEND J A Edwards 10 109	P Barton
7	11-2301 ANDROMA J G FitzGerald 8 107	R O'Leary
8	U0100F KUMBI D McCain 10 107	K Doolan (4)
9	P0-0403 SKEGBY (C) O Brennan 11 106	M Brennan
11	PP3F0F SHADY DEAL (C-D) J T Gifford 12 100	M Palmer (7)
12	231333 MANTON CASTLE R C Armytage 11 100	A Carroll
13	2U-3202 DOUBTFUL VENTURE P Mullins (IRE) 9 100	NON-RUNNER
14	F11F12 CHARTER PARTY (C) D Nicholson 7 100	NON-RUNNER
15	220043 WHY FORGET W A Stephenson 9 100	Mr P J Dun
16	311-420 BY THE WAY (BF) Mrs M Dickinson 7 100	R Earnshaw
17	23011U DUMPER (C) F T Winter 8 100	B de Haan
18	132021 BROADHEATH (C) D Nicholson 8 100	P Scudamore
20	201002 MID DAY GUN J Webber 11 100	J Burke
21	10P102 ARABIAN MUSIC J T Gifford 10 100	R Rowe
25	231043 BRIGHT OASSIS K C Bailey 9 100	P Croucher (4)
26	1P0042 MEMBRIDGE (C) P Dufosse 10 100	B Powell
28	120-020 ALMIGHTY ZEUS D R Elsworth 8 100	R Arnott (4)
29	20120-0 ATHFORD J O Carter 9 100	J Hurst (7)

BLINKERS: 17, 28
PROBABLE SP: 4-1 West Tip, 6-1 Androma, 7-1 By The Way and Straight Accord, 8-1 Special Cargo, 10-1 A Kinsman, 12-1 Dumper, 14-1 Fethard Friend and Why Forget, 16-1 Broadheath, 20-1 others.

RESULTS

SANDOWN

2.00 (5f): CINNAMON SKY W Carson (11-4); Moonlight Lady (8-1); Dancing Fille (5-2 fav); Liberton Brae (5-14, 10 ran. 3/4, sh hd. (D Laing) T: £3.40; £1.30, £2.80, £1.30, CSF: £21.98, NR: Careless Whisper.
2.35 (1m 6f): VALUABLE WITNESS Pat Eddery (9-2); Vital Boy (11-4 fav); Dominate (12-1); Hi Easter (16-14, 7 ran. 1/2, 2, (J Tree) T: £4; £1.80, £1.60, CSF: £15.47.
3.05 (1m): PEBBLES S Cauthen (11-8 fav); Vacarme (5-1); Sarab (5-13); King of Clubs (5-14, 7 ran. 1/2, 1/2, (C Brittain) T: £2.20; £1.50, £2.20, CSF: £7.86.
3.40 (3m): YELLOW JERSEY Mr P Hamer (25-1); Outside Chance (25-1); Elmboy (6-4 on fav); Whiggie Geo (10-14, 14 ran. nk, 1/2, (G J Hamer) T: £43.20; £5, £3, £1.20, CF: £44.86, Mr Bosun f shd 2nd but disqualified.
4.10 (5f): TRWYN CILAN T Quinn (25-1); All Agreed (6-1); Schula (20-1); Dawn's Delight (8-14, 13 ran. 3/4, 1, (G B Balding) T: £22.30; £4.20, £2.60, £3.90, CSF: £151.77.
4.40 (1m): NORTHERN ASPEN A Lequeux (11-10 fav); Sally Brown (11-2); Oeuf Ivoire (11-13); Kilinski (25-14, 12 ran. 2, 2 1/2, (O Douieb) T: £2; £1.20, £2.20, £2.80, CSF: £7.74.
5.10 (1m): SUPREME LEADER P Robinson (11-10 fav); Boccioni (14-1); Tabardar (50-1); Jaggery (11-24, 13 ran. 1/2, 1/2, (C Brittain) T: £2.60; £1.10, £2.40, £7.90, CSF: £18.32.

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2.15 (5f): FAYRUZ T Ives (13-8 on fav); Vitash (9-4); Lower Flyer (8-13); Desarem (33-14, 8 ran. 5, 4, (W O Gorman) T: £1.40; £1.10, £1.30, £1.10, CSF: £2.38.
2.45 (1m): MASTER MARK T Ives (11-4 fav); Victoria Miss (16-12); Mickey Finn (9-2); Northern Parade (11-4 fav); 9 ran. 3/4, 5, (D Garraton) T: £4.20; £1.60, £2.30, £1.80, CSF: £41.94, NR: Green Market and Prohibition Boy.
3.15 (1m 4f): CAMDEN LOCK A Mackay (9-4 fav); Golden Fancy (11-2); Mount Rule (16-13); Tour de Force (11-24, 15 ran. 2, 3, (T D Barron) T: £2.40; £1.30, £2.50, £7.90, CSF: £15.74, NR: Saintly Lady.
3.45 (2m): PADDYCOUP Paul Eddery (13-8 fav); Joist (3-12); Sporting Mariner (7-4); Smokey Gem (8-14, 7 ran. 1/2, 4, (F Durr) T: £2.90; £1.20, £1.40, CSF: £7.52.
4.15 (6f): PLAYTEX R Street (15-21); Batoni (5-2 fav); Coincidental (4-13); Lady of Leisure (25-14, 10 ran. 2, nk. (T Barron) T: £8.60; £2.20, £1.10, £1.20, CSF: £26.32.
4.45 (6f): ABHA Paul Eddery (3-1 on fav); Lord Hippo (6-12); Valrac (50-13); Handclap (20-14, 17 ran. 3, 4, (H Cecil) T: £1.20; £1.10, £1.40, £9.80, CSF: £3.34.
5.15 (1m): SILLY BOY M Richardson (9-2); Murillo (16-12); The Game's Up (9-2); Spring Pursuit (16-14, 17 ran. 1/2, 2 1/2, (N Bycroft) T: £5.70; £2.20, £5.60, £1.10, £3.30, CSF: £85.22, NR: Quality Prince.
5.40 (1m): JUST A BIT M Hindley (11-8 fav); It Happens (11-2); Run Easy

3.35 WESTBURY STAKES Group 3 £25,000 1m 2f (12 runners)

1 (2)	211010- ROUGH PEARL (USA) G Lewis 49 1	P Waldron
2 (3)	21000-0 LONG POND P Kelleway 48 12	P Cook
3 (4)	413030- BOB BACK (USA) D M Jarvis 48 8	B Raymond
4 (8)	1320-20 BOLD CONNECTION M Ryan 58 8	P Robinson
5 (7)	22330-0 CHAUMIERE (D) R J Williams 48 8	B Rouse
6 (11)	01300-0 ELEGANT AIR (D) I Balding 48 8	J Matthis
7 (6)	12-223- EL HAKIM (USA) H Cecil 48 8	S Cauthen
8 (9)	3342-03 KALIM R Houghton 48 8	W R Swinburn
9 (10)	41111-2 PARLIAMENT (D) O Douieb 58 8	A Lequeux
10 (5)	4300-00 SEISMIC WAVE (USA) B Hills 48 8	B Thomson
11 (12)	330000- TELIOS B Hobbs 48 8	A Barclay
12 (1)	40012-0 MISS SAINT-CLOUD (D) M Stoute 48 5	W Carson

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Parliament, 7-2 Bob Back, 4-1 Long Pond, 6-1 Elegant Air, 8-1 El Hakim, 10-1 Kalim, Seismic Wave and Telios, 14-1 others.

4.10 ESHER CUP (HANDICAP) £10,000 (3-Y-O) 1m (11 runners)

3 (2)	0412-2 SHEER CLIFF I Balding 97	J Matthis
7 (5)	11300-0 RARE STAMP J Winter 812	B Rouse
8 (1)	041- OCTOBER (USA) R Armstrong 811	P Robinson
9 (4)	41140-0 AVEC COEUR (USA) D W Guest 810	A Bond
10 (6)	010-0 TIMBER TOOL (D) C Nelson 89	S Cauthen
11 (3)	0330-4 ARTIST RIFLE R Simpson 89	K Radcliffe (7)
12 (11)	01- PRINCE LYPH M Stoute 88	W R Swinburn
15 (10)	0014-00 STEERPIKE (C) P Cundell 82	N Adams (5)
16 (8)	00210-2 LEMHILL M Blanshard 82	R Cochrane
18 (7)	000-1 GREAT TEY (D) R Hannon 81	A McGlone
19 (9)	0140-02 ANDI ALJA P Mitchell 713	S Dawson (3)

PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Prince Lyph, 3-1 Sheer Cliff, 5-1 October, 7-1 Timber Tool, 8-1 Lemhill, 12-1 Great Tey, 14-1 others.

4.40 MARCUS BERESFORD HANDICAP £3,500 (3-Y-O) 5f (16 runners)

1 (12)	01134- KELLY'S ROYALE (C-D) C Nelson 97	B Rouse
3 (10)	34403-1 PIANO MAN (D) K Brassey 95 (7 ex)	M Hills
4 (1)	2040-00 INDIAN FLOWER (D) P Brookshaw 93	B Thomson
5 (14)	4001-0 DORKING LAD (D) M Blanshard 93	R Cochrane
6 (13)	23210- MRS DANVERS (D) W Guest 93	S Cauthen
7 (11)	1-0 GREEN SPIRIT (D) M Jarvis 812	B Raymond
8 (15)	1001-00 KIP D Thom 811	G Starkey
9 (7)	31030-0 APRIL FOOL M Usher 811	W R Swinburn
10 (6)	010-03 LAURIE LORMAN (D) M McCourt 89	R Wernham
11 (8)	01-00 POWDER BLUE P Makin 89	A Lequeux
12 (3)	30-12 PADDYSTOWN P Cundell 87	W Carson
14 (9)	30240-0 MY ANNIVERSARY (C-D) R J Williams 84	R Hills
15 (5)	03420-0 SUSANGUS (D) W O Gorman 84	J Matthis
16 (2)	000-4 DIVISSIMA G Lewis 82	NON-RUNNER
17 (16)	00-02 PUCCINI R Armstrong 712	P Robinson
18 (4)	000-40 HOKUSAN K Ivory 77	R Street

BLINKERS: 8
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Paddystown, 4-1 Mrs Danvers, 5-1 Piano Man, 6-1 Kelly's Royale, 7-1 Susangus, 8-1 Puccini, 10-1 Green Spirit, 12-1 others.

(7-2)3: Bright Fellow (6-1)4, 11 ran. 4, nk. (M W Easterby) T: £2.70; £1.40, £2.50, £1.40, CSF: £12.76.

HEXHAM

2.30 (2m): TAILORED TO TASTE J J O'Neill (11-4 fav); Mr Pongee (16-12); Coeur Valliant (6-13); Straight Down (4-14, 8 ran. 3, 1, (J G FitzGerald) T: £4.20; £1.30, £1.90, £1.80, CSF: £37.94.
3.00 (2m 4f): NOT EASY P A Charlton (8-1); This Ones for You (25-12); Ha'penny Nap (10-13); Baby (7-4 fav); 16 ran. 2 1/2, 5, (E Carter) T: £42.90; £6.80, £21.40, £1.10, CSF: £201.45.
3.30 (3m): TWIFLIGHT R Earnshaw (14-1); Solo Sam (5-12); Meggies Dene (6-13); Virginia Road (8-14, 13 ran. 1, 5, (J I Charlton) T: £12.50; £3.10, £2.40, £1.10, CSF: £76.15, NR: Jetherts Here.
4.00 (2m 4f): STRATH LEADER Mr A J Wilson (100-30 fav); Amatiss (8-13); Newmarket Sausage (100-30 fav); 3; 7; 17-14, 13 ran. 10, 10, (J A Edwards) T: £8.70; £3.90, £4.30, £1.10, CSF: £30.19.
4.30 (2m): BACK IN ACTION D Condell (9-2); Saucepot (8-12); Burglars Walk (4-13); Mendelita (25-14, 15 ran. 3, 12, (D J Moorhead) T: £6.20; £2, £3.70, £1.50, CSF: £41.26.
5.00 (2m 4f): BANNOW BURN T G Dun (6-1); March Fly (6-12); Wanracine (11-10 on fav); Lime Blossom (12-14, 18 ran. 2, 2 1/2, (K Oliver) T: £5.50; £1.10, £3.10, £1.40, CSF: £40.58, NR: Grey Lil, Mount Nugent and Sinandco.

BANGOR

1.45 (2m): BALTIC J Sutherland (5-11); Scottish Highway (33-12); Jakaroo (33-13);

Marked Man (9-14, 10 ran. 5, 25, (O O'Neill) T: £5.70; £1.80, £1.10, £4.60, CSF: £111.71.
2.15 (2m): FRENCH UNION P Scudamore (5-2 fav); Merry Jane (7-2); Elusive Spirit (7-2); Another Special (20-14, 16 ran. 3, 2, (D Nicholson) T: £4.60; £1.30, £1.50, £1.90, CSF: £10.95, NR: Balarum and Downtown Hustler.

2.45 (2m): FARE LOVE P Warner (17-21); Day After (20-12); County Player (5-2 on fav); Cyprus Sky (8-14, 10 ran. 5, 2 1/2, (E Evans) T: £8.10; £1.80, £3, £1.20, CSF: £136.03.

3.15 (2m 4f): KYOTO S Celtic Eccles (7-1); Young Lover (6-12); Smith Brew (11-23); Golden Friend (6-1)4, 11 ran. 4, 3, (J Jenkins) T: £11.80; £5.10, £3.30, £2.20, CSF: £45.07.

3.45 (2m 4f): BASKET WEAVER T Jarvis (7-4 fav); Mandown Lad (25-12); Baritude (2-13); Zigurat (11-44, 7 ran. 1 1/2, 4, (A Jarvis) T: £2.40; £1.50, £1.30, CSF: £31.23, NR: Star Burst and Clannad.

4.15 (3m): RUBERCOLA P Scudamore (11-41); Cardinal Mazarin (7-12); Valmai (50-13); Carden Spirit (25-14, 10 ran. 6, 10, (M Scudamore) T: £3.10; £1.10, £2.10, £4.30, CSF: £20.49.

4.45 (3m): LADY SHOT R Dunwoody (9-2); Broughton Lad (4-12); Only For Love (6-5 fav); Cambro Boy (8-14, 8 ran. 6, 8, (M Oliver) T: £4.90; £1.60, £3, £1.10, CSF: £21.21, NR: Jimmy Martin.
5.15 (2m): BALUCHI R Stronge (5-11); Parannpour (3-1 fav); Mesa Kid (25-13); Patrick's Fair (12-14, 13 ran. 8, 2, (B Preece) T: £5.90; £1.70, £2.20, £13.10, CSF: £18.47, NR: Rodace.

SELECTIONS

SANDOWN: 1.45 Teetoy, 2.15 Damister, 2.55 By The Way (nap), 3.35 Parliament, 4.10 Prince Lyph, 4.40 Piano Man

LEICESTER: 2.00 Protection, 2.30 Tanaroun, 3.00 Gabitat, 3.30 Hombre, 4.00 Restless Rhapsody, 4.30 Judy's Downy

RIPON: 2.30 Absolutely Bonkers, 3.00 Lady Abwah, 3.30 Rough Stones, 4.00 Dublin Lad, 4.30 Bollin Emily, 5.00 Scottish Reel (n.b.)

UTTOXETER: 2.15 Tom Tailor, 2.45 John's Secret, 3.20 Covent Garden, 4.00 Slave Lane, 4.30 Ishkomann, 5.00 Irish Harvest

HEXHAM: 2.15 Stand Back, 2.45 The Langholm Dyer, 3.15 Miss Crozina, 3.45 Shumard, 4.15 Stubbs Daughter, 4.45 Grey Wonder

RIPON

DRAW: low numbers best over 5 & 6f, high numbers favoured 1m & over

2.30 NORTHERN TRAINERS MAIDEN STAKES £2,500 (2-Y-O fillies) 5f (23 runners)

1 (7)	3 ABSOLUTELY BONKERS W Jarvis 811	T Ives
2 (19)	BLUE CONDOR D Moorhead 811	R Fox
3 (21)	BREEZY C Brittain 811	P Bradwell
4 (6)	4 BROADHURST J Etherington 811	M Wood
5 (10)	CATHERINES WELL M W Easterby 811	K Hodgson
6 (23)	CENTRALSPIRES BEST A Jarvis 811	T Rogers
8 (11)	GILSAN GREY J Kettlewell 811	C Coates (5)
9 (22)	0 IMPERIAL SUNRISE M W Easterby 811	A Kimberley
10 (5)	JENNY KAYE P Kelleway 811	Gay Kelleway (5)
15 (5)	0 MISS BLAKE M Brittain 811	B Coogan
16 (17)	NEPTUNE'S PEARL B Whitaker 811	J H Brown (5)
17 (12)	0 OUR MUMSIE N Bycroft 811	C Dwyer
18 (20)	PACKAGE PERFECTION T Fairhurst 811	R P Elliott
19 (18)	PRINCESS BAMBOLA N Tinkler 811	Kim Spink (7)
21 (1)	PUNCLE CREAK G Moore 811	A Crook
22 (9)	0 QURRAT AL AIN M H Easterby 811	M Birch
23 (16)	0 RIBOLETTA M Camacho 811	O Gray
24 (14)	0 SKERNE STREAM M Camacho 811	
25 (13)	SOLENT DAWN P Brookshaw 811	W Ryan (3)
26 (3)	0 SPRING GARDEN N Chamberlain 811	J Lowe
27 (2)	THE JEFFERSON ARMS R Stubbs 811	D Nicholls
28 (4)	WATENDLATH E Wymes 811	E Guest (5)
31 (8)	0 WINDSTREAKER Denys Smith 811	M Fry

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Absolutely Bonkers, 4-1 Jenny Kaye, 9-2 Broadhurst, 6-1 Miss Blake, 8-1 Qurrat Al Ain, 10-1 Breezy and Centralspires Best, 12-1 Windstreaker, 20-1 others.

3.00 TRAINERS SELLING STAKES £2,000 (3-Y-O) 1m 1f (15 runners)

1 (6)	0201-03 BARCHAM PRINCE G Moore 90	A Crook
2 (7)	0241-30 GLENDERRY Hbl Jones 90	W Ryan (3)
3 (10)	00 CREEAGER W Wharton 87	R Fox
4 (4)	0004-00 OUR DUDLEY D Chapman 87	D Nicholls
5 (12)	0000-00 WET PAINT J Parkes 87	M Miller
6 (12)	0000-03 WHOKNOWSTHEBOWLER A W Jones 87	T Rogers
7 (8)	0000-03 DIAPHANTINE J Kettlewell 84	C Coates (5)
9 (14)	0000-00 GOLDEN DISC M Camacho 84	N Connorton
10 (2)	040- JUST LIL Ron Thompson 84	D Lockwood (7)
12 (1)	00 KELLY'S MATCH M Naughton 84	J H Brown (5)
14 (3)	000-0 LADY ABWAH M Brittain 84	B Coogan
17 (13)	0300-00 SOUND WORK W Bentley 84	J Lowe
18 (15)	030- STAY TENDER Ron Thompson 84	K Hodgson
19 (9)	00000- SWEET GEMMA N Tinkler 84	L Charnock
21 (11)	0-40 YOUNG APRIL W Haigh 84	T Ives

BLINKERS: 6, 9
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Whoknowsthebowler, 11-4 Glenderry, 4-1 Golden Disc, 6-1 Barcham Prince, 8-1 Lady Abwah, 12-1 Stay Tender, 16-1 others.

3.30 C B HUTCHINSON MEMORIAL CHALLENGE CUP (H'CAP) £4,000 2m (9 runners)

1	(7)	03410-4	ROUGH STONES K Brassey 49 10	T Ives
3	(1)	00	NO BOMBS M H Easterby 10 96	K Hodgson
4	(5)	100000-	DANCING ADMIRAL N Tinkler 5 96	L Charnock
5	(8)	113010-	TREASURE HUNTER (C/D) J FitzGerald 6 94	M Hindley (5)
6	(2)	2120-00	TRICKSHOT (D) C Tinkler 6 11	M Birch
10	(9)	000000-	FRASSAS D Chapman 8 82	D Nicholls
12	(6)	3340-03	RED DUSTER (D) T Fairhurst 5 81	S Webster
14	(4)	04100-0	MOODY GIRL (D) R Hollinshead 4 81	W Ryan (3)
16	(3)	34100-0	PRINCE SANTIAGO (USA) Denys Smith 6 71	M Fry

Sports Line

TAYLOR TAKES SIX IN A ROW

DENNIS TAYLOR took six frames in a row against a disbelieving Tony Knowles to hand the world No.2 a 16-5 thrashing and move impressively into the final of the World Snooker Championships in Sheffield.

Taylor now meets defending champion Steve Davis in this weekend's 35-frame final, worth £60,000 to the winner. Davis took seven frames in a row to kill off Ray Reardon on Thursday night by the same score.

Taylor copied the defending champion in style yesterday, finishing off a formidable win with a superb break of 85. He forced Knowles, who had

said the previous night: 'I can come back from 10-5, no problem' to eat his words.

Taylor, the 36-year-old No.11 seed, has dropped only 18 frames in reaching his second world final. He lost in 1979 to Terry Griffiths.

Slid

Knowles, who complained about the lighting yesterday as he slid 5-10 down, could do nothing to repair the damage yesterday.

Taylor started as he meant to go on, firing a break of 48 on his third visit to the table.

Knowles' hopes were briefly raised in the third frame of yesterday's session, the 18th of the match, when he won a long battle for the yellow to trail 43-53 but then left the green hanging over a bottom pocket.

Three frames later it was all over, Taylor having won 16 out of 18 frames since losing the first two of the match on Wednesday.

Knowles could not believe his crushing defeat yesterday saying: 'I simply cannot explain it. I just never got into the match.'

'I started off well, winning the first two frames on Wednesday, but after that he played well only

because I started missing chances. Everything he did seemed to come off.'

But Knowles seemed to give Taylor little chance of ending Steve Davis's dreams of a hat-trick of titles when he said: 'Dennis will need to play as well as that again and also have a load of luck to beat Davis. Steve will put him under pressure and won't give him the chances that I did.'

Debut

Davis lost to Taylor on his World Championship debut as a raw 21-year-old in 1979, but has beaten the Irishman in all their eight tournament meetings since, including last year's World semi-finals.

'What's the point of thinking about defeats,' said Taylor yesterday,

but could not resist his normal joke when he added: 'It probably won't be as easy against Steve, he might get six frames.'

Taylor said: 'I still think Steve is not quite back to his best and I made it hard for him when he beat me twice at the World Championships and was winning everything in sight.'

Taylor's appearance in the World final caps his best-ever season, after 13 barren years as a professional. He claimed his first major title last October, helped Ireland to the world team title in March and beat Alex Higgins in the Irish Championship final just before the World Championship.

He is now set to give his season's winnings of £78,000 a boost of at least £35,000 even as runner-up.



DENNIS TAYLOR... meets defending champion Steve Davis in the World Championship final today

West Ham want to keep Allen

WEST HAM manager John Lyall intends to do everything possible to keep England under-21 international Paul Allen at Upton Park next season.

Liverpool are reported to be ready with a £600,000 bid for the 22-year-old midfielder player, whose contract expires this summer.

Lyall said yesterday: 'I have had no contact with Liverpool, but I can understand all the speculation because Paul is a tremendous player.'

'My only concern is that it has been suggested we are resigned to losing him. That's not true at all. Paul wants to discuss a further contract at the end of the season and we shall be doing everything in our power to keep him here.'

Allen, whose current form has taken him to the brink of the full England squad, said: 'It's nice that a club as big as Liverpool are interested in me.'



PAUL ALLEN... a tremendous player.

Final injury blow for City

MANCHESTER CITY winger Jim Tolmie took his dog for a walk and it proved the final straw for manager Billy McNeill, trying to muster 11 fit players for the vital Second Division game at Portsmouth.

As McNeill says: 'I can't believe what is happening at the club. I have never experienced such a spate of injuries in my life.'

Dog

'The final blow was when Jim Tolmie slipped and strained his groin while taking his dog out for a walk. At the moment I have only nine names for Saturday.'

City's game at Portsmouth is the most crucial on the League programme today with both teams still hoping to take

the ride up to the First Division along with already promoted Oxford United.

But the Manchester club have Nicky Reid (ankle), Mick McCarthy (ankle and knee), Neil McNab (shoulder) and Tolmie battling against injuries and Graham Baker (broken leg), Clive Wilson (ankle) and Jim Melrose (hamstring) out for the season.

And City's leading scorer Gordon Smith, who has missed the last five games with an injured knee, faces a late fitness test today before City name their team.

City beat Portsmouth 2-1 home and away last season and Tolmie scored from a penalty in both games.

McNeill still hopes that Tolmie and McCarthy might be fit in time to

play and says: 'Today's game is like a Cup final. Every player on our side must give something extra and raise their game.'

McNeill added: 'I will probably have to take a calculated gamble with Gordon (Smith), but I will leave it until as late as possible to see if there is any reaction after training.'

Team

Portsmouth are much better placed in team selection, having captain Mick Kennedy, defender Mick Tait and winger Kevin O'Callaghan all back from suspension.

While Oxford can relax despite having a difficult match at Leeds, second-placed Birmingham hope to record their 13th away victory of the season at Barnsley.

Inter-Milan protest

THE EUROPEAN Football Union (UEFA) have received a formal protest from Inter-Milan about a missile-throwing controversy during their UEFA Cup clash against Real Madrid on Wednesday.

UEFA's disciplinary committee will meet on Sunday to discuss the Italians' complaint which arose from an incident in the first half of the semi-final second-leg tie which Real won 3-0 to reach the final 3-2 on aggregate.

Inter have asked for the result to be annulled, and if their appeal is upheld the second-leg, in which Real staged a dramatic comeback, would have to be replayed.

Real hung on to their only hope of a trophy this year and qualify for a place in next year's UEFA Cup after a disappointing season in the Spanish League.

UEFA spokesman Rene Eberle said yesterday: 'We received the formal protest from Inter Milan by telex late last night regarding the missile-throwing incident.'

'The (disciplinary) committee will meet on Sunday afternoon. It will be purely administrative and none of the parties concerned will be there. A decision could be expected late that (Sunday) evening.'

UEFA insisted on a replay in the European Cup Winners' Cup earlier this season when a Rapid Vienna player was felled by an object during a 3-0 defeat at Celtic.

Rapid won the replay and now meet Everton in the Cup Winners' Cup final on May 15.

SUNDAY FIXTURES

(3p.m. unless stated)

DIVISION IV

Swindon v Darlington.....

RUGBY LEAGUE

DIVISION II

Doncaster v Runcorn.....

Mansfield v Rochdale (3.30).....

SATURDAY'S

RUGBY UNION

(3p.m. unless stated)

JOHN PLAYER

SPECIAL CUP FINAL

Bath v London Welsh

(at Twickenham).....

SCHWEPPE'S WELSH

CUP FINAL

Cardiff v Llanelli.....

Crunch match at Pittodrie

BY A SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENT

ABERDEEN can clinch their second successive Premier League title at the expense of their nearest challengers Celtic at Pittodrie today.

This being Aberdeen's last home game of the season, nothing would give Alex Ferguson and his players greater pleasure than winning the championship in front of their own fans.

Although given a meagre allocation of 5,000 tickets for the match, the Celtic legions — with their renowned vocal backing —

will as usual support their heroes to the end, regardless of the result.

However, the visitors will be out to stop Aberdeen, even if it only delays the northerners' celebrations.

Points

Aberdeen need only two points to clinch the title and will have 'super striker' Frank McDougall, back after 10 weeks to take part in the showdown. McDougall scored twice against Celtic

at their last meeting at Pittodrie, when the home side ran out clear winners.

However, the Glasgow side have beaten the Dons twice season and will be all out to make it three today.

Although the bookmakers have made Aberdeen clear favourites, Celtic and their support are in a determined frame of mind. A turn-up for the books cannot be ruled out.

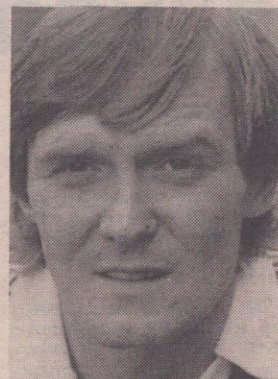
Celtic manager David Hay commented, 'We owe it to the fans to get a result.'

But yesterday, Hay was delaying naming his side — or even whether he will field a 4-4-2 or 4-3-3 line up.

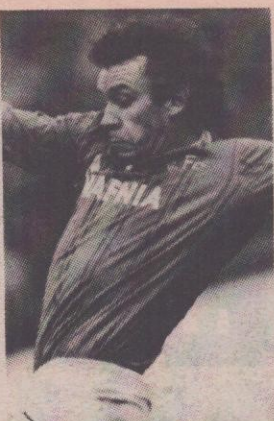
List

Ferguson was also delaying posting the team list, but said: 'Winning the championship is what matters, where it happens is not that important.'

'What is good is that we are playing Celtic, who have been our only challengers all through, in the third last game of the season.'



DAVID HAY



PETER REID

REID'S RARE MISS

PLAYER of the year Peter Reid misses only his second game of the season as Everton bid to take another step towards the League Championship today.

The calf injury which Reid suffered in the European Cup Winners' Cup victory over Bayern Munich on Wednesday keeps him out of the match against Norwich at Goodison Park.

Kevin Richardson takes over and Alan Harper is on standby in case Kevin Sheedy fails a late test on a hamstring strain.

They are certainly not short of incentives, but are also keen to make amends for a 4-2 defeat at Carrow Road last November, one of their few lapses in a hugely successful season.

Norwich will be strengthened by the return of captain Dave Watson after suspension. Watson's central defensive partner Steve Bruce could also be back if he passes a test on an ankle injury.

Side

Although Norwich are still not clear of the relegation zone, manager Ken Brown is expected to field an inexperienced side with five players aged 20 or under.

● **MANCHESTER UNITED** defender Kevin Moran attempts to stake his claim for an FA Cup final place when he returns for the home game against struggling Sunderland.

Moran was injured two

BY OUR SOCCER CORRESPONDENT

months ago and failed to regain his place when he recovered, but has another chance because Graeme Hogg is serving a one-match suspension.

Striker Frank Stapleton is doubtful with a damaged knee and Alan Brazil will deputise if he is ruled out.

Sunderland will have defenders Shaun Elliot and Gary Bennett available after suspension, although Elliot has been troubled by an achilles tendon injury.

● **LONG-SERVING** Billy Bonds could return for West Ham's important relegation battle against Luton at Upton Park.

Bonds, 38, has not played since injuring knee ligaments on December 1, but will be recalled if Neil Orr fails a fitness test on a thigh strain.

Luton are without top scorer Mick Harford, who is suspended, and his probable replacement, Nigerian Emeka Nwajobi, is doubtful with a hamstring injury.

● **IAN RUSH** and Alan Kennedy are still injured, so Liverpool go to Ipswich

with the team which clinched a place in the European Cup final this week.

● **SOUTHAMPTON** full-back Mark Dennis was taken to Newcastle hospital yesterday for an operation to treat serious internal bleeding of the thigh.

Dennis was injured in Wednesday's match with Manchester United at Old Trafford, but still travelled to Newcastle on Thursday, for today's match at St James's Park.

Pain

In the night his leg began to cause him severe pain and he was sent to Newcastle's Royal Victoria Infirmary, before being transferred to the Freeman Hospital.

In the early hours Dennis underwent an operation to cure the bleeding that was affecting the circulation of his right leg.

He may need another operation before he is released and it is unlikely that he will be discharged before the middle of next week, when he will probably be switched to a hospital in Southampton for further treatment.



GOALKEEPER Neville Southall, Graham Sharp, followed by Gary Stevens, holding the FA Cup aloft. More silverware is a near-certainty now for Everton.

SA in bid to save rugby tour

SOUTH AFRICAN rugby chief Danie Craven made a desperate bid yesterday to save the New Zealand Rugby Union and their tour to the racist republic.

He offered 'liberal' financial support to replace the \$120,000 commercial sponsorships withdrawn over the Rugby Union decision to send the New Zealand All Blacks to South Africa between late July and September.

He told Radio New Zealand in an interview from South Africa that some of the anticipated \$700,000 takings from the tour would be used to compensate New Zealand rugby.

Aid

Craven would not reveal the extent of the likely aid but said: 'We will look after them liberally.'

The South African rugby board gave almost \$100,000 to New Zealand rugby after the last All Blacks tour there, in 1976.

● **SEE Border refuses to go to South Africa — page 14.**

CRICKET SUMMARY

LORD'S: Essex 162 (Cowans six for 68) and 258 for 5 (McEwan 63, Pont 62 not out); MCC 377 for nine dec. (Nicholas 121, Moxon 104; Pringle four for 70). **DRAWN.**

Essex saved by stand-in

KEITH PONT, unable to earn a regular place in last year's Championship winning side, came to the rescue of Essex with a defiant half century at Lord's yesterday.

The 32-year-old all-rounder, out for a duck in the first innings, denied MCC a second successive victory in the fixture as he made 62 not out in a dogged 159 minutes stay that saw off a possible innings defeat.

Pont, close to being leg before wicket to Paul Allott off his first ball, arrived when Essex had lost four for 123, still needing 82 runs to clear the arrears with their unfit captain Keith Fletcher back at his Suffolk home suffering from migraine.

The man with the reputation as the dressing-room joker, who played in only two championship games last season, took his task

seriously as he and wicket keeper David East (39) added 80 in an unfinished sixth wicket stand in 95 minutes. That put Essex 43 in front when the match ended.

Pont, who hit seven fours and six, followed up Ken McEwan's more spectacular effort to save the game. The South African blasted 11 fours — eight off Norman Cowans — in making 63 in two hours.



POOLS CHECK

DIVISION I

- 1 Arsenal v Sheff Wed
- 2 A Villa v QPR
- 3 Chelsea v Tottenham (11.30)
- 4 Coventry v West Brom
- 5 Everton v Norwich
- 6 Ipswich v Liverpool
- 7 Leicester v Nottm For
- 8 Man Utd v Sunderland
- 9 Newcastle v Southampton
- 10 Watford v Stoke
- 11 West Ham v Luton

DIVISION II

- 12 Barnsley v Birmingham
- 13 Cardiff v Huddersfield
- 14 Charlton v Blackburn
- 15 Grimsby v Wimbledon
- 16 Leeds v Oxford
- 17 Middlesbrough v Brighton
- 18 Notts Co v Carlisle
- 19 Oldham v C Palace
- 20 Portsmouth v Man City
- 21 Sheff Utd v Shrewsbury
- 22 Wolves v Fulham

DIVISION III

- 23 Bolton v Brentford
- 24 Bristol R v Orient
- 25 Burnley v Millwall
- 26 Derby v Cambridge
- 27 Doncaster v Newport
- 28 Hull v Wigan
- 29 Lincoln v Bristol C
- 30 Plymouth v Swansea
- 31 Preston v Gillingham
- 32 Reading v York
- 33 Rotherham v Walsall

DIVISION IV

- 34 Crewe v Exeter
- 35 Hartlepool v Aldershot
- 36 Hereford v Northampton
- 37 Mansfield v Blackpool
- 38 Peterboro v Colchester
- 39 Port Vale v Halifax
- 40 Rochdale v Chester
- 41 Stockport v Chesterfield
- 42 Torquay v Bury
- 43 Wrexham v Scunthorpe

NORTHERN PREMIER

- 44 Horwich v Buxton
- 45 Macclesfield v Southport
- 46 Marine v Matlock
- 47 Morecambe v Stafford

SCOTTISH PREMIER

- 48 Aberdeen v Celtic
- 49 Dumbarton v Dundee Utd
- 50 Dundee v Morton
- 51 Hibs v St Mirren
- 52 Rangers v Hearts

SCOTTISH DIV I

- 53 Ayr v Clydebank
- 54 Brechin v Airdrie
- 55 Clyde v Meadowbank

SCOTTISH DIV II

- Albion v Raith
- Arbroath v E Stirling
- Berwick v Stirling A
- Cow'beath v Stranraer
- Dun'line v Queen O'Sth
- Montrose v Queen's Park
- Stenhousemuir v Alloa