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WALLSEND WELCOME — Shop stewards from the Swan Hunter shipyards turned out to meet the Edinburgh-to-London marchers when they arrived in Wallsend on Tuesday. See more reports on centre four pages

All Tamils now need a visa

IN AN open racist move, the Home Office yesterday ruled that all Tamils fleeing violent attacks in Sri Lanka need a visa before they can enter Britain.

It is the first time citizens of a Commonwealth country have ever had to obtain a visa. The British Refugees Council said the move would prevent refugees from entering the country.

'That effectively means that no Tamil will be able to apply for asylum regardless of whether they have reasonable fear of persecution or not,' said spokeswoman Catriona Renton.

'And by implication no Tamil already in Britain has any claim to asylum.'

'No citizen of a Commonwealth country has to apply for a visa to come to this country. This is a complete departure. We're shocked.'

The Tory claim 'that

there will be a flood' was nonsense, Renton said.

The Home Office said yesterday that just 600 Tamils had arrived since May 20.

A Home Office spokesman defended the decision on the grounds that 'over 220 have come in today for instance'.

He claimed this was 'a very considerable number by any yardstick'.

BY PENNY BLOOR

Tory Home Secretary Leon Brittan claimed on Monday that there was no reason to believe that Tamils returning to Sri Lanka faced persecution and that few Tamils were likely to qualify for refugee status in Britain.

All Tamils who wish to stay here will have to satisfy a test and each case will be considered 'on its merits', he said.

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TORY MOVE TO OPEN RACISM

Disaster at Euro-Cup match in Brussels

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36 DEAD

Soccer fans trampled to death

AT LEAST 35 soccer fans were trampled to death when barriers collapsed during crowd trouble before the start of the European Cup Final in Brussels last night.

The match finally started 90 minutes late after appeals by both captains for calm.

Fighting broke out between rival fans from Liverpool and Juventus of Italy.

Police said the death

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

toll could go higher and as many as 50 has been quoted.

Police and ambulance men carried away apparently lifeless bodies on crowd barriers.

It appears that a barrier collapsed as Juventus fans tried to retreat from charging Liverpool supporters. Police said the dead included Italians, British and Belgian fans who were in a mixed section of the stadium.

Witnesses said bodies were piled up in a car park outside the stadium and covered with tarpaulins.

One hospital near the stadium said 30 to 40 supporters were being treated for injuries and more casualties were pouring in.

Two helicopters evacuated injured from outside the stadium.

Witnesses said concrete and metal crash barriers

gave way after hundreds of fans surged forward and invaded the pitch, fighting each other and pelting police with missiles.

Riot police repeatedly charged fans on the terraces and police on horseback took more than half an hour to remove fighting fans from the pitch.

Police with riot shields charged fans on the Liverpool terraces and the club's manager, Joe Fagan, went to the stands wearing a Liverpool team shirt to appeal for calm.

The stadium broadcast

appeals in English, Italian, French and Dutch to fans to return to their seats. Supporters pelted each other and police with bottles, firecrackers, smoke-bombs and tin cans.

The scene outside the stadium was one of chaos and desolation as hundreds of police vehicles

and ambulances raced away to take the injured to every hospital in Brussels.

A makeshift chapel was set up in a tent outside the main entrance to the stadium.

Dazed supporters inside the ground were apparently unaware that people had been killed.

THREE schoolchildren from the St Albans area, three of their teachers and a bus driver died yesterday when their bus overturned near Montpellier in southern France. Thirty-nine others were said to be injured — three critically. The children, from two Hertfordshire schools, were heading for an adventure holiday on the Mediterranean coast. One hundred relatives were preparing to fly out from Luton airport last night.

Pay cuts warning

PAY CUTS of up to 16 per cent will face some of the poorest workers in the country if the Tory government succeeds in abolishing wages councils.

The Low Pay Unit warned yesterday that the abolition would have no effect on employment as the Tories claim, but would weaken the protection for nearly three million workers covered by the wages councils.

The unit says that current minimum adult rates for full-time low paid workers range between £63 and £72 a week — less than half the average adult wage — yet the Department of Employment describes this as 'artificially high'.

Absence

Chris Pond, unit director, said yesterday: 'In the absence of convincing evidence that there will be any advantage, the government's determination to abolish or weaken the wages councils appears gratuitous and spiteful.'

'A majority of employers favour retaining wages councils. So, too, do trade unions, community groups, church leaders and politicians of all parties.'

The unit's report follows the attack on the government's Green Paper made earlier this week by the TUC.

But the unit has joined with the TUC in attempting to persuade Tory MPs to challenge the proposed legislation rather than proposing action by the trade union movement to oppose the destruction of the wages councils.

WEATHER

NORTHWESTERN Scotland and the northern isles will have sunny intervals and scattered showers. All remaining parts of the UK will be dry with sunny periods. It will be warm in most inland and sheltered places but near normal elsewhere.

Outlook for Friday and Saturday: Dry with sunny periods but some showers in the southeast later. Warm, but cooler in the southeast and on exposed coasts.

PLO will not give up right to fight Israel

THE Palestine Liberation Organisation will not agree to the disarming of its camps in Lebanon, nor will it give up the right to mount operations against Israel from Lebanese soil.

This was clear last night as PLO chairman Yassir Arafat arrived in Jordan from Tunis after a three-day meeting of the PLO's central council.

Palestinian sources say it is not a question of who will win or lose in the fighting in the camps. 'It is a question concerning our own existence,' said one Palestinian observer.

'We cannot engage in a war in which 50,000 to 150,000 men, women and children will be sacrificed.'

However, the PLO is not prepared to abandon the right to protect its own camps. Under current circumstances in Lebanon — if they leave them another two years our people will have a revolution by themselves.

'We will not agree to guarantee the Israeli frontier. We are in a state of war with Israel. If we accept Berri's terms we may as well abandon our armed struggle altogether.'

BY JOHN SPENCER

ly being defended by a joint militia in which all the Palestinian factions are taking part.

Amal has reached agreement with both Syria and Israel to destroy the Palestinian military presence in Lebanon.

Amal leader Nabih Berri has repeatedly emphasised that his organisation will not tolerate guerrilla raids on Israel from Lebanese soil.

To implement this agreement means an all-out struggle against the entire Palestinian population in Lebanon. All parties are well aware that the Palestinian population in Lebanon will re-arm themselves and continue the fight.

Revolution

As one Palestinian put it: 'We have half-a-million Palestinians in Lebanon — if they leave them another two years our people will have a revolution by themselves.'

'We will not agree to guarantee the Israeli frontier. We are in a state of war with Israel. If we accept Berri's terms we may as well abandon our armed struggle altogether.'

The attempt on the life of Lebanese President Amin Gemayel is seen as a Syrian-sponsored move aimed at clearing the way to install a more amenable figure in the presidency.

Palestinian sources emphatically deny involvement in the assassination attempt.

Gemayel was about to travel to Damascus for talks with Assad. He had just received Libyan Foreign Secretary Abdus-Saleem Treiki who had brought a message from Col Muammer Gaddafi urging that the fighting be stopped.

It appears that Gemayel is now regarded as too weak to fulfil Syria's objectives in Lebanon. Assad is seeking to consolidate his control over the whole of Lebanon, ultimately bringing it into a confederation with Syria.

To do this he must weaken all the Lebanese militia groups, including Amal, while destroying the PLO presence entirely.

Amal's attack on the PLO was preceded by a brutal Syrian-sponsored assault against the main Sunni Muslim militia, the Mourabitoun.

Having built Amal up, Assad may well try to cut them down again by pitting them against the Druze Progressive Socialist Party militia.

This will open the way for Syrian forces to take control of the whole country, including the south.

The events of the last few days have shown that even the National Salvation Front, composed of pro-Syrian renegades from the PLO, can no longer be relied on to do as Damascus orders.

The leaders of the Front, including Abu Musa, the former Fatah commander, George Habbash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Ahmed Jibril of the PFLP-General Command and representatives of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, are currently in Tripoli, Libya.

They have urged Gaddafi to intervene to halt the fighting in the camps.

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UCATT members lobby the employers' headquarters in New Cavendish street yesterday

UCATT pay lobby

BUILDING workers from all over Britain formed a 100-strong lobby of national pay talks in London yesterday.

The workers were protesting against an employers' offer of a mere 3.75 per cent pay increase — despite inflation of 6 per cent.

Members of the lobby were demanding a £5-an-hour rate for a 35-hour week. They were opposed to any settlement involving a percentage increase and were calling for a flat rate settlement.

The claim put in by the unions is on behalf of about 500,000 building workers. There are now nearly 400,000 building workers unemployed.

Angered

The workers have been particularly angered by the anti-union practice of many employers who sub-contract work in order to keep the bulk of workers on any site on the 'lump'.

Employers are pre-

pared to pay sub-contractors up to £9 an hour for labourers although men employed directly will get less than £5 an hour.

In addition, while the current year's offer is well below the 7 per cent award last year, top employers have awarded themselves pay increases of up to 37 per cent.

The profits of the large building companies have also soared in recent years. Profits for the Bovis empire rose by 177 per cent.

Tory move to open racism

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Those who do not satisfy the test will be immediately returned to Sri Lanka.

But Renton insisted: 'No-body should be returned under the current circumstances. Really any Tamil male of whatever class or background is liable to arbitrary arrest, even torture, and killings.'

'We think that the same facilities should be granted to Tamils as have recently been granted to other refugees, in particular Iranians, Ugandans and Poles.'

She also denounced claims by the British consulate in Colombo and the Sri Lankan consulate in London that Tamils were fleeing for economic rather than political reasons as 'nonsense'.

Labour MP Jeremy Corbyn, who on Tuesday led a delegation of three Labour MPs to meet Brittan, said the new visa requirement was 'another step in government by subterfuge.'

The MP for Islington North said when he met Brittan there was no mention of the plan.

He went on: 'The statement means that many Tamil people will be unable to leave Sri Lanka and will become prisoners of the violence and terror that many Tamils have already died from.'

'The claims by the British government that things are improving in Sri Lanka are not backed by any facts and the continued sale of arms and provision of military training for the Sri Lankan army calls into question their motive in this crisis.'

A joint statement by the UK Immigration Advisory

Service and the Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants said: 'This visa requirement will effectively shut the door on those Tamils who genuinely fear for their lives and are seeking to exercise their right to seek asylum in the UK.'

● See This Morning... page 8 and interviews with refugees on page 6

'Wrong and callous'

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

lives in Sri Lanka because we are ending the British tradition that we offer asylum to people anywhere in the world when they are in danger.

Decision

'Now the High Commission decision will take time and while people are waiting for a bureaucratic deci-

sion these people may feel very seriously under threat.'

Dubs added: 'I actually think this government is extremely hard line on immigration and are worried some people coming here have genuine cases, and their aim is to keep the numbers coming here down.'

'They are putting their need to keep numbers down above the lives of people who are very frightened.'

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Heads slam cuts

HEAD teachers' delegates yesterday expressed grave concern at the serious damage being done by the cumulative reduction in educational expenditure.

The resolution from the South Wales area of the 21,000-strong National Association of Head Teachers was passed unanimously by the conference in Scarborough.

It called on the executive to do everything in its power to persuade the government and local authorities to remedy the situation by restoring vital resources without delay.

Executive member John Wootton described Education Secretary Sir Keith Joseph as 'an incredible man'.

'He expects more and more by giving less and less. If you have a willing horse, what sense is there in flogging it?' asked Wootton.

He said teachers wanted to carry through good practice but they could not do so because the resources were not there.

Opening the conference, union president Derek Best warned the government it would 'prove catastrophic if the present generation of young people in our schools have to pay the cost of the Falklands War and miners' strike through an underfunding of the education service'.

He said that failure to invest in children because of lack of resources elsewhere in the economy was equivalent to 'eating the seed corn so essential to the next harvest'.

This government, 'by its policies on local education authority targets and penalties, let alone rate-capping, is forcing cuts.'

But Best attacked strike action by teachers in defence of education as 'a complete denial of professionalism'.

'The price of strike action is increasing truancy and strike action by pupils,' he claimed.

Receiver goes to Lear

A RECEIVER was appointed by the Tories yesterday to secure the assets of the collapsed Lear executive jet project in northern Ireland.

Michael Jordan, of Cork Gully, will also represent government interests in the assets and technology of the sales project in America, said a statement from the Northern Ireland Office.

The government invested about £57 million in the British-American venture to build the rear-propeller aircraft in the form of grants, loans and guarantees.

Northern Ireland Industry Minister Dr Rhodes Boyson said the government and the Zoysia Corporation, a Saudi Arabian consortium of investors involved in an attempted rescue operation, were released from any remaining funding commitments following the shut-down of the project.

The Tories will be keen for Jordan to recover as much as possible from the venture, including rights to the plane's carbon fibre shell design.

Swindon engineers and families lobby talks

Workshops action to save BR jobs



Sue New, seen above with men from the Swindon workshops, believes the wives should form support groups like the miners' wives

OVER 300 rail workshop engineers and their families from Swindon reacted angrily yesterday when British Rail refused to withdraw closure plans.

NUR executive member Harry Sealey emerged from the London talks to tell the crowd that the management had refused to budge on the threat to 2,500 jobs.

'We will use our industrial muscle if we have to — it's come to that,' he said. 'I've worked at Swindon for 30 years and I'm not going to sell my job, and neither should you.'

He said he would use his position in the NUR to ensure that the union campaigned for a future for the 122-year-old works.

Families had travelled up from Swindon to the Great Northern Hotel in the first major demonstration against closure since its announcement two weeks ago.

Among them were Sue New, who believes the

BY BEN RUDDER

wives of men at the works should form support groups like the miners' wives.

'As in the miners' strike, it is important that women stand by their husbands and give them as much support as they can.'

'We are facing the destruction of a community. In the area of Rodbourne near the works, all the newsagents, shops and pubs rely on people who are employed at the workshop.'

Terry Larkham, NUR secretary on the works committee, said it was time the national unions called a halt to the closure of the rail workshops.

'It was only a few months ago that the management told us that the seven remaining workshops would be safe for ever. If this series of cuts goes through it will be down to five, and we know they are trying to cut it down to three to be sold off to private industry.'

'We feel really betrayed by the management. They told us that if we co-operated, they would keep us open.'

'But now we are prepared to fight to the bitter end. There is no way we can accept this closure, and we have the full support of the public in Swindon.'

The unions are due to meet the management again on June 19.

CUT OIL PRICES YAMANI

JEDDAH — The price of heavy crude oils must be lowered, the Saudi Arabian Oil Minister, Sheikh Yamani, said yesterday.

He said in an interview in the 'Al-Sharq al-Awsat' newspaper yesterday: 'Time has come to reduce the price of heavy oil because of the reduction in demand for fuel oil and its lower price.'

'This will require another discussion among OPEC (Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries) members.'

Yamani, who cautioned, however, against lowering light crude oil prices, was clearly addressing himself to an unusually sharp downturn in both oil prices and demand.

His surprise statement was clearly the result of a growing tendency towards a new recession in world oil prices because of an insoluble glut in supply.

Heavy oil prices, in particular, had taken a sharper tumble than was seasonally normal, oil analysts in London said.

It was clear that the 12-month-long British miners' strike, officially called off in March, is continuing to take its toll on Western oil markets.

For this reason, Yamani's statement is a dire warning to the Tory government's hopes of an improvement in oil revenues.

Prices of the heavy grades have been depressed since the ending of the miners' strike, while light grades have been hit by the end of the northern winter.

Grades

OPEC agreed in January on a price differential of \$2.40 between the heavy and light grades.

At the time it closely reflected price relationships on the spot market. Since then, the difference between light and heavy grades on the spot market has shrunk to little over \$1.

The 13-member OPEC agreed to raise prices for heavy crude oil by 50 cents a barrel in December.



YAMANI . . . Drop crude prices

But in January the oil trading bloc cut the price of Arab light crude by \$1 a barrel.

Yamani added: 'The price of light crude must be maintained because of the high demand for its product.'

The oil analysts said Yamani's call for lower heavy crude prices was being forced on Saudi Arabia by changing price relationships on the international spot (speculative) market.

● Britain's trade was in the red to the tune of £277 million last month. April's statistics mean that in three months ended April, there was a deficit on visible trade of £1.5 billion, and a deficit of £3.2 billion on non-oil trade.

BL results mean more speed-ups

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

BRITISH Leyland faces 'a difficult and challenging year', chairman Sir Austin Bide told shareholders yesterday.

Speaking at the company's 10th annual general meeting in London, he said that the 1984 operating loss of nearly £12 million was 'a temporary setback in our recovery'. Results for the first quarter of 1985 were encouraging, he claimed. And trading results were better than before the same period last year.

'However, the severe trading conditions across most sectors of our business will make maintaining this position very difficult — particularly if our competitors intensify still further their incentive programmes, despite already incurring heavy losses themselves,' Bide said.

Behind his words lie the plans of BL chiefs to launch a further attack on jobs and an intensified drive for more speed-up in the car plants.

That is the real meaning of Bide's statement that: 'Further improvements are necessary if BL is to be a competitive, successful and durable business'.

He praised the 'enormous efforts' of managers, who were assisted by right-wing union leaders, in forcing up productivity.

Last month BL sold 19.5 percent — 30,186 — of new cars in Britain, down from the 21.5-per-cent share it had in the same month in 1984.

Ford had a 24-per-cent share of the market and General Motors just short of 16 percent.

With the total number of new car sales unlikely to increase this year manufacturers are forced to cut prices in order to meet sales targets.

UDR man dies

A SOLDIER from the Ulster Defence Regiment died in hospital last night after he shot himself at police headquarters in Derry. The UDR man, aged 27, died from severe head injuries after he had been taken in for questioning about a road accident on Tuesday morning. As he arrived at the station there was a discharge from his gun. He was rushed to hospital where, after surgery, he was put on a life support machine. Immediately after the incident, an RUC spokesman said police had not been involved in the shooting and an investigation had begun.

NACODS talks delay

TALKS between the pit deputies' union and the National Coal Board ended in deadlock last night, with NACODS leaders warning that the NCB would press ahead with pit closures and redundancies.

During four hours of talks in London NCB chairman Ian MacGregor told the NACODS leadership that the Board's March 27 statement, which insisted on immediate cuts and closures following the strike, had been withdrawn because it had achieved its aims. But NACODS general secretary Peter McNestry said that despite its assurances the NCB would implement closures.

BRITISH FRIENDS OF PALESTINE

Public Meeting

Stop massacres of Palestinians in the camps

Monday, June 3, 7.00 p.m.

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Speakers include Faycal Oweida, PLO representative in London

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Speakers: Mike Banda (WRP general secretary)
Julie Hyland (YS national secretary)
Vanessa Redgrave (WRP central committee)
Plus PLO speaker

Briefly ...**Koreans agree visits**

SEOUL — North and South Korea have agreed to exchange visits between members of families separated by the 1950-53 Korean War. Yesterday, the chief delegates of the two sides said after two-days of talks sponsored by the Red Cross that they had made progress.

Judge to stand trial

SYDNEY — Australian High Court Judge Lionel Murphy failed yesterday in his attempt to reverse a decision that he must stand trial on charges of attempting to pervert the course of justice. A former Chief Magistrate of New South Wales, Murray Farquhar, lost an appeal, also yesterday against a conviction and jail sentence on similar but different charges.

Fowl for Lima's poor

LIMA — Peruvian guerrillas hijacked a chicken company truck and handed 1,000 frozen fowl to Lima shanty-town dwellers on Tuesday. The Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement guerrillas urged people living in the slum to take up arms against the government.

Taba talks continue

CAIRO — Two Israeli officials arrived in Cairo yesterday to continue talks on Taba, the small Sinai enclave that Israel has held since it took Sinai in the 1967 war. Their last round of talks in Cairo 11 days ago produced no agreement on the issue.

Anti-Kanak Bill in Paris

PARIS — The newly-appointed Minister for New Caledonia, Edgard Pisani, yesterday presented to the French National Assembly proposals for Kanak independence. The Bill empowers the government to rule by decree, as French imperialism did during the Algerian war 30 years ago.

Spain ship protest

MADRID — Fifty Spanish shipyard workers chained themselves to the landing gear of an Iberian Airlines jet on Tuesday, shortly before it was scheduled to take off from the northern city of Oviedo. The men were protesting against the government's plans to sack about half of the 40,000 shipbuilding workforce.

Spy count on father, son

WASHINGTON — Navy seaman Michael Walker, accused with his father of spying for Moscow, was formally advised of the government's espionage charges against him and was due to appear at a court yesterday. His father, John Walker, accused of spying for 18 years will plead not guilty when formally arraigned.

World News Line

SECOND CYCLONE MENACES DACCA



Bangladeshis waded through flooded village streets in the catastrophe of 1970, when more than 100,000 people were killed

DACCA — Another killer cyclone threatens millions of Bangladeshis on the Ganges Delta and the Bay of Bengal coast.

Dacca meteorologists yesterday said the second cyclone was building up in the bay and predicted it could hit the coast in the next few days.

**BY A FOREIGN
CORRESPONDENT**

The warning came as millions of Bangladeshis fought to recover from the cyclonic tidal wave and floods that devastated seven major islands last Friday, killing up to 40,000 people and making 250,000 homeless.

Nearly half a million acres of crops, mostly jute and rice, were also destroyed.

In the wake of the worst catastrophe to hit Bangladesh in 15 years, Dacca newspapers tried to sanitise the criminal failure of the Hossain Mohammad Ershad military dictatorship to act on weather forecasts warning of the cyclone.

Peasant and fishing coastal and island communities scarcely able to scratch a living were accused by the military-controlled media of ignoring warnings of the tidal wave.

The media said the regime had broadcast the warnings on radio but it is not known how many of the families possessed radio or transistor sets.

Entire communities on the islands were swept away as they lay asleep when the cyclonic tidal wave hit last Friday night.

Poor roads and virtually non-existent public

transport along the coast made a quick evacuation an impossibility.

Villagers on the islands were cynically abandoned to their fate by the Dacca military authorities, who have claimed also that they barely had the facilities to carry out such an evacuation.

Thousands of families were burying their dead yesterday and food and shelter has become desperately scarce.

The coastal lands are strewn with corpses, and carcasses of sheep and cattle. On the tiny island of Uri Char and many other areas, the only structures left standing were a few government-built cement buildings.

The wells, the villagers' only source of drinking water have been contaminated by sea water. People have resorted to drinking the salt water in the fields, exacerbating fears of an outbreak of cholera or typhus.

About 250,000 people in flood-hit districts of Comilla and Sylhet, eastern Bangladesh, have fled their homes. And 50,000 more people had moved to higher ground after the Manu, Khowai and other rivers burst their banks.

Some rivers were up to seven feet above danger level and the weather bureau forecast was for more rain.

Ershad, speaking during one of his visits to the flooded coastlands yesterday, appealed for international aid.

He said: 'We will need nearly \$50 million to get all the people back on their feet and I will call upon all the rich nations of the world to stand by us in this hour of crisis.'

Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi has announced his Congress (I) Party government will send helicopters and food aid to Dacca.

The United States offered \$525,000 in immediate aid and the European Commission in Brussels said it would send food, blankets and medicine worth \$375,000.

A Belgian government spokesman said \$160,000 worth of aid would be sent to Bangladesh soon.

In practice the aid helps the Bangladeshi rich get richer and the poor more impoverished, while the bulk of the food aid is used to feed the army and the Ershad regime's bourgeois nationalist sponsors.

The cyclonic damage to Bangladesh's agricultural lands is beyond any of the pathetic handouts the imperialist governments are prepared to give to Ershad.

Airline breaks off US pilot talks

CHICAGO — United Airlines has broken off talks with trade union representatives of its 5,200 striking pilots and has mounted plans to break the 11-day-old strike.

The pilots refused to back down on two key claims against the employment of new flight staff on lower pay than those already employed by the company.

At talks last Saturday, the pilots reiterated their opposition to promotion for pilots who are scabbing on the strike.

Strike

They also dismissed United Airlines' threat to sack nearly 500 newly-trained pilots who have honoured picket lines.

United Airlines Chairman Richard Ferris said that there would be no more talks on the strike.

Ferris said the company was going ahead with a plan to train between 300 and 600 new pilots a month.

United Airlines would hire pilots from other carriers and gradually lure some of the striking pilots back with the aim of restoring full service 10 months from now.

Ferris said: 'There are a lot of Americans out there who would like to work for this airline at those salaries.'

The salaries of pilots at United Airlines range

from \$35,000 to \$110,000 annually.

Captain John Leroy, speaking for the striking pilots, said the union could not turn its back on the trainees who hon-

oured its picket lines.

Neither would the union yield on its position that pilots who worked during the strike should not be eligible for seniority promotions.

Agca trial discredited

ROME — The prosecution had lost credibility after two days of outbursts by key prosecution witness Mehmet Ali Agca, defence counsel for two Bulgarian diplomats said yesterday.

The two Bulgarian diplomats are accused of plotting with Agca, a Turkish national, to kill the Pope.

The 27-year-old Turk, a member of the fascist Grey Wolves organisation is serving a life sentence for shooting Pope John Paul on May 13, 1981.

He has refused to answer questions by court president Severino Santiapichi and has proclaimed himself to be Christ.

Three Bulgarians and five Turks are accused of involvement in the alleged plot.

Tass, the Soviet news agency, has ridiculed the trial in Rome, saying Agca's outbursts showed the worth of his evidence.

It said: 'The soap bubble was punctured, the house of cards that the

Italian investigators had been building so painstakingly during more than two years crumbled down.'

Of three options, the first was to accept that Agca was Jesus and incur the wrath of Christians across the world.

The court could judge Agca mad or, thirdly, decide that he was 'playing the fool', in which case he should not be allowed to fool with Antonov (a Bulgarian airline official charged with complicity in the alleged plot), Tass said.

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PLO CHAIRMAN YASSIR ARAFAT

'WE WILL NOT LAY DOWN OUR ARMS' — Pledges Arafat

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

AMMAN — Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman Yassir Arafat yesterday rejected Amal and Damascus-sponsored demands that the PLO lay down its arms in Lebanon.

Arafat said the PLO wanted a ceasefire in the Amal's murderous war against the Palestinian people but would not accept terms dictated by

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad.

The PLO chairman arrived in the Jordanian capital at the end of the three-day central council meeting that discussed the premeditated slaughter of Palestinian refugees in Beirut.

He saluted the Palestinian people's courageous defence of Sabra, Shatila and Bourj al-Barajneh and said the PLO wanted the camps placed under the control of religious leaders it could trust.

'We want to be placed on a level footing with the Lebanese people. The camps should be placed under the care of three religious leaders in whom we have confidence,' he said.

ance of the PLO-Jordanian agreement (of February 11, 1984)'. As Arafat issued his defiant statement, Falangist President Amin Gemayel flew to Damascus to ask Assad to extend the security role of the Syrian army in Lebanon.

Gemayel had earlier in the day narrowly escaped death in an artillery bombardment of his palace in the Beirut suburb of Baabda.

The PLO has rejected a proposal manufactured by Assad and proposed by the Amal leadership of Nabih Berri that the refugee camps be controlled by a paramilitary force comprised of Lebanese army troops.

Included in that proposal was the demand that the PLO's fighters in Lebanon surrender their weapons to a multi-party committee.

Beirut state-owned radio said Gemayel had escaped 'miraculously' when artillery shells crashed into a second floor room as he lunched in an adjacent dining room.

The source of the shelling on the palace, located in Baabda, a Beirut suburb, was not known, the radio said.

It started a fire that destroyed the president's

office, library and sitting room.

The palace came under bombardment again as firefighters battled the blaze but no casualty was reported.

Shells also hit the international airport to the south of Beirut as Amal militiamen poured tank fire into Sabra and Shatila after a night of heavy fire.

Airport sources reported damage to runways but air traffic was not disrupted, enabling Gemayel to leave for Damascus.

Advance

WAFA, the official Palestinian news agency, said PLO fighters had re-occupied two areas of Sabra camp overnight and reaffirmed their determination to continue their advance against enemy forces.

A PLO field commander said early yesterday: 'Today we took Dar al-Ajajeh and Daouk and we will soon be moving against enemy units occupying Gaza Hospital.'

'We have retaken the high ground and are well positioned around the hospital area.'

'Our morale is excellent and we will fight on and pursue them out of our camps.'

Camps are vital to Palestinian struggle

THE MAJORITY of the Palestinian population in Lebanon originated from Upper Galilee, arriving in Lebanon between 1948 and 1949.

Most are of peasant or Bedouin origin although some are poor town dwellers from Jaffa and other Palestine coastal cities.

Migration to the camps was not centrally organised and the refugees tried to re-establish village and clan communities.

In 1952 there were estimated to be 140,000 Palestinian refugees in Lebanon living in 15 camps but by 1982 the number of Palestinians was estimated in a UN report to have reached 350,000.

Sabra, the northernmost of the three camps — the other two are Shatila and Bourj al-Barajneh — borders on Lebanese residential areas.

Extending to its south is Shatila camp and further to the south-east, below the coastal mountain range, lies Bourj al-Barajneh.

Bourj al-Barajneh was established in 1949 by families from three villages north of the city of Akka. It is subdivided into quarters, each housing people from the same village in a total area of 104,000 square metres.

In 1980 the number of refugees in Bourj al-Barajneh registered with the United Nations relief and works agency (UNRWA) was put at 10,000. By 1982 this figure was 11,000.

There were estimated to be more than 25,000 people living in the camp and 40 per cent of the residents are under 14



A Palestinian camp in Beirut

years of age.

Bourj al-Barajneh, like all Palestinian camps, is extremely overcrowded, although less so than Sabra and Shatila.

Nevertheless, more than 20 per cent of the population live in housing of less than 20 square metres with, on average, seven people to each dwelling.

PLO-supervised institutions in the camps include Haifa Hospital and a number of clinics, a number of schools and three kindergartens.

The PLO established food, furniture, clothing and handicraft production workshops as well as two consumer co-op outlets.

Haifa hospital, which had 20 beds, has been totally destroyed by the recent attacks and currently no medical facilities are able to operate in the camp.

The factories, schools and co-ops have all been badly damaged or destroyed in the enemy shelling of the camp.

Shatila camp was established in 1951 on land leased by UNRWA from Lebanese families. It is 39,500 square metres in size and in 1982, the

population was estimated at 25,000.

Sabra, not officially registered as a camp with the Lebanese authorities, contained 15,000 Palestinian inhabitants in 1982 but the number fell sometime before the new round of fighting.

The camp is about one-third the size of Shatila. Living conditions in Sabra and Shatila have always been among the most difficult of all camps in Lebanon.

They are complicated by the unfavourable location and sewage and rainwater collect in large amounts in low areas of the camps.

The population density is even higher than in Bourj al-Barajneh, with houses constructed from makeshift materials.

Palestinian institutions in the two camps include Gaza and Akka Hospitals, clubs and schools.

There are also PLO-supervised co-op workshops established from 1969 onwards, and consumer co-ops as well.

Both hospitals which employed 40 doctors between them are partially destroyed and unable to function since last week. No medical facility is

operational in the vicinity of the camps.

Areas of the camps occupied by Amal forces have been systematically bulldozed and destroyed in the past days.

In addition to the Palestinians living in the three camps, it is estimated that another 20,000 live in the surrounding areas.

These people come from other Palestinian camps that have been destroyed or evacuated in the wake of attacks against them over the past ten years.

They have been joined today by the remaining inhabitants of the Sabra and Shatila camps, fleeing the enemy onslaught.

The Palestinian people in Lebanon, displaced continuously over the past 37 years, from Palestine to different camps in Lebanon, today face a new brutal enforced transfer.

These are the people that Syrian President Hafez Al-Assad and US Assistant Secretary of State Murphy plan to move further away from Palestine, deep into the Syrian desert.

Rights

'Mediation can continue but our people must be able to defend their rights.'

Arafat named the Muslim religious leaders as the Sunni Muslim Sheikh Hassan Khaled, Shi'ite Muslim leader Sheikh Mehdi Shamseddine and Druze leader Sheikh Mohammed Abu Shakra.

'The PLO will build on the united Palestinian position in Beirut towards greater national unity,' he said.

PLO affirms its accept-



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YOUNG TAMILS LIVE IN FEAR FOR THEIR LIVES

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY PUBLIC MEETINGS

• Reinstatement sacked miners and release those in jail! • Out with YTS — No cheap labour schemes! • Defend all jobs and services! • Build revolutionary leadership!

NORTH WEST

BURNLEY: Sunday June 23, 6.30p.m. AUEW Rooms, Hargreaves Street, across from GPO.

Speakers: Lyn Waring (YS National Committee); Ray Waring (WRP Central Committee); Dave Fishwick (GMBATU, in personal capacity). Plus showing of film: 'The Bolsheviks'.

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Wednesday June 5, 7.30p.m. Biggin Hill, Binley Road.

Speakers: Mervyn Marshall (YS Regional Committee); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Nevin Bell (Sacked miner Coventry NUM); Brian King (AUEW convenor WMPTE).

BIRMINGHAM: Monday June 10, 7.30p.m. Ladywood Community Centre, Ladywood.

Speakers: Mervyn Marshall (YS Regional Committee); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from West Midlands NUM.

EASTERN

NORWICH: Tuesday June 4, 7.30p.m. Heartsease Child Health Clinic, Frere Road, Heartsease Estate.

Speakers: Mandy Hogg (YS Regional Committee); Fiona Cairns (WRP Eastern District Committee).

PETERBOROUGH: Monday June 10, 7.30p.m. St Johns School, Orton Goldhay.

Speakers: Sammy Tams (YS Regional Committee); Pat Brookes (Peterborough WRP).

CAMBRIDGE: Monday June 10, 7.30p.m. Fisher Hall, Guildhall Street.

Speakers: Mark Harrison (YS Regional Committee); Chris Bailey (Cambridge WRP).

NORWICH: Tuesday June 18, 7.30p.m. Spinney Community Centre, Earls Road.

Speakers: Mandy Hogg (YS Regional Committee); Mark Harrison (Norwich WRP).

IPSWICH: Wednesday June 19, 7.30p.m. Safe Harbour, Meredith Road, Whitton.

Speakers: Mandy Hogg (YS Regional Committee); Martin Booth (Cambridge WRP).

WESTERN

READING: Thursday June 6, 7.30p.m. Room J, South Reading Community Centre, Northumberland Avenue.

Speakers: Duane Bishop (YS Regional Committee); Dave Good (WRP Central Committee); Nick Lunn (USDAW district official, in personal capacity).

SOUTH WALES

CARDIFF: Thursday May 30, 7.30p.m. Rooms 329 & 330, Students Union Buildings, Cardiff University, Park Place.

Speaker: Travis Gould (WRP Central Committee).

SUSSEX

CRAWLEY: Tuesday June 11, 7.30p.m. Ifield Community Centre, Ifield Drive.

Speakers: Graham Fenwick (YS Regional Committee); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP).

BRIGHTON: Tuesday June 18, 7.30p.m. The Springfield Arms, Springfield Road.

Speakers: Graham Fenwick (YS Regional Committee); John Hulme (Brighton WRP); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP).

SURREY

HORLEY: Tuesday June 4, 7.30p.m. Horley Library, Victoria Road.

Speakers: Graham Fenwick (YS Regional Committee); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP).

BY PENNY BLOOR

YOUNG Tamils who have escaped to England had been living in a constant state of panic in Sri Lanka, they told News Line yesterday.

About 25 young Tamil men who have arrived in the past few days are staying at a Hindu Temple in Wimbledon, south London, where they have been given free temporary accommodation and food.

The temple's workers are meeting daily flights from Sri Lanka to receive the new arrivals.

They are also campaigning for the release of about 50 Tamils who were sent to remand centres when they arrived.

■THE young men explained why they left.

'We live in panic,' one said. 'There is no freedom and no peace there for young people.'

Men aged 16 to 35 are the constant target of Sinhalese military forces — arrested, tortured and killed as a matter of course, allegedly in retaliation for the activities of the Tamil liberation fighters.

■'I WAS working as a book-keeper,' one young man told News Line. He arrived here on April 24. 'I was living alone in Colombo, the capital. My family, however, is in Jaffna.'

'We cannot move about freely. You get checkpoints everywhere and they insist on you producing your identity card.'

'Your card has your date of birth, your parents' names and details. It identifies you as a Tamil.'

Risk

'I would be at risk if I go back. Human rights are violated there. The military forces torture us, they search us, and we are not even sure if we will reach home.'

Thousands of Tamils have been driven out of Colombo to refugee camps in the northern Tamil city of Jaffna.

The government has used provocations to turn Moslems who previously helped the Tamils against them.

■ONE MAN, aged 24, who arrived two days ago, said: 'In the village of Karathivu they poisoned the wells on April 12. It is a Tamil village in between many Moslem villages in Eastern Province.'

'All the houses and a big temple was destroyed.'

■ONE of the men was living in Colombo with his father when their property was damaged.

'So we moved to the village of Akkappattu, where we set up a small mill. Our house and the mill were burnt down by Moslems. The police also took part, but they were in civilian clothes.'

'We had to go and just hide in the fields.'

'My father is now in a



Young Tamils staying in a temple in South Wimbledon, London, hold up their identity cards

refugee camp in Eastern Province.'

■ONE BOY, aged only 16, was on his way home from school when the army came out and started attacking the students. He managed to run away and get home.

'My father sold his property and gave me money to come here,' he said. 'My father is too old to come but he has sent me here to save my life.'

■ANOTHER said: 'My life was in danger. I could not go to the market or even go out. I left Colombo after the 1983 troubles and went to Jaffna to live in a refugee camp. You cannot leave Jaffna because of the troops.'

'My own brother tried to travel from Jaffna to Colombo so that he could get a passport. On his way the troops at a checkpoint took his identity card and threw it away. That means he cannot go anywhere.'

'Even in Sri Lanka we live as refugees.'

'I managed to come here because my mother sold all her jewellery.'

■THE MEN explained that the army now has a

policy of taking young men hostage. Whenever there is action by the freedom fighters, the army retaliate by killing the young hostages.

And they often surround military camps with young Tamils, using them as a human shield against attacks from outside.

In the north large quantities of land has been designated as restricted. The Tamils are not allowed to farm, their livelihood, or to go fishing because of night-time curfews.

Shortage

There is an acute shortage of food, medicine and fuel.

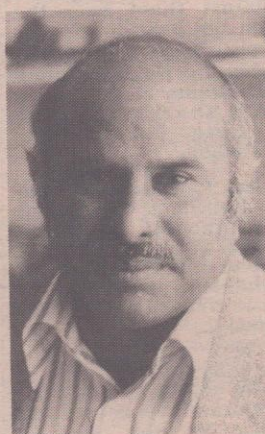
'If an army convoy comes into a village, they always leave about 10-15 dead bodies. Also they have been looting jewellery and money and there have been incidents of rape.'

'Recently they took lorries of used tyres and firewood up north, to set fire to villages and destroy the people.'



Two young Tamils with the small amount of baggage they were allowed to bring with them

'Hunted and tortured'



RATNASINGHAM

RATNASINGHAM is the chief administrator of the Hindu temple in Wimbledon, south London, where Tamil refugees are staying temporarily.

'We want the British government not to treat these men as Tamils alone, not as citizens of the British Commonwealth or even an ex-colony, but as human beings who have a right to live,' he told News Line.

'There are two ways the British government can help. The first is to provide for them the right to live here.'

'The second is to force the Sri Lankan government to find a solution by

stopping aid to the Sri Lankan government, by placing embargos on them and saying they will not associate with them.'

'Thatcher recently opened a dam during her visit there. What is the point of giving £150 million to build a dam just for Sri Lankans to use?'

Killing

Mainly young men are leaving.

'These are the age group the army is hunting down and torturing,' he said. 'They are the ones the army is killing and butchering. In many cases their parents have

had to sell all their belongings and get them out, simply to save their lives.'

'The president of Sri Lanka has let loose an army which he says he has no control over. Has he ever said he is sorry for what has happened to the Tamils?'

'That is a racist president.'

'The army fellows get hold of youngsters and ask them to dig their own graves and then shoot them.'

'This is nothing different from a Nazi government and the president is responsible.'

National March to Release Jailed Miners - DAY 12

DURHAM NUM LEADER SALUTES MARCHERS

'THE LAW of the land is the law of the landed gentry,' said Arthur Oxley, a member of the Durham miners' executive at a public meeting in Newcastle on Wednesday night.

He was speaking as a miner who has been viciously victimised and sacked by Thatcher's Coal Board.

He was dismissed one hour after returning to work at the beginning of March for allegedly committing a breach of the peace. Since then he has been acquitted in the courts of the offence and is now fighting for his job back.

Oxley, who works at Vane Tempest, brought fraternal greetings to the Edinburgh-to-London marchers and wished them every success in their national campaign for the sacked and jailed miners.

Commenting on the attitude of Scottish NUM leaders to the men in jail, Oxley said: 'They are embarrassed to be linked with the men in prison. Well, I am certainly not embarrassed to be linked with them.'

Proud

'The 1984 strike has never ended until all the jailed and sacked men are back at their places of employment. I'm proud to be here at your meeting and wish you every success in your campaign.'

The meeting, attended by almost 100 miners, trade unionists and youth at the Young Socialists Youth Training Centre heard Alex Mitchell,

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

Workers Revolutionary Party Central Committee member, emphasise the revolutionary socialist tasks facing the working class.

He paid tribute to the struggle of the NUM and its support organisations and said the 12-month strike had changed the political situation in Britain.

'There is no going back,' he said. 'All the traditional avenues of compromise have been closed by Thatcher's Bonapartist regime and that leaves only the road of the struggle for workers' power open to the working class.'

'This task requires the building of the Workers Revolutionary Party and the Young Socialists as the leadership of the British socialist revolution.'

Kevin Flynn, GMBATU shop steward at Swan Hunter's Wallsend yard, told the marchers that they should place no confidence in any Labour or trade union leader who refused to support the campaign to free the jailed miners.

'Your march is saying that the capitalist crisis is deepening, the working class is fighting back and

the conditions are here for defeating and driving out the right-wing leaders who won't fight the Tory government.'

'You are a great inspiration to the employed and the unemployed and what you are doing will intensify the crisis of those who are selling out to Thatcher.'

'You are linking the release of the jailed miners and the reinstatement of the sacked men with the struggle to defend jobs and against youth slave labour. These are the conditions to build the fight for the General Strike, to defeat the Thatcher regime and create the conditions for establishing socialism.'

Violence

Jane Smith of Dinnington YS, Yorkshire, one of the Edinburgh-to-London marchers, said: 'I am on the march because I support what the miners are fighting for. I have lived through the year-long strike and the violence of the police on the picket lines.'

'I am on the Dinnington Miners' Support Group and during the strike we



Canteen women at the Swan Hunter shipyard, Wallsend, and some of the marchers for whom they prepared a meal on Tuesday

found it very hard to raise money to make food parcels.

'But we managed to fight and struggle and we will keep on fighting as long as it is necessary.'

Claire Dixon of the YS national committee said the march was a direct continuation of the struggle

of the miners, raising the struggle against Thatcher's Bonapartist regime, the judiciary, the courts, the police and the prisons.

She said that while the right-wing Labour leaders and the Communist Party Stalinists are capitulating to the Tory state, the situation in the work-

ing class and the rank and file is quite the reverse.

She said the breakthrough achieved by the march in its first 10 days proved that the undefeatable working class could be mobilised in a General Strike to bring down the Tory regime and its Bonapartist state and

establish a Workers Revolutionary Government.

Meeting chairman, Simon Pirani, made a strong appeal for youth and trade unionists to join the Workers Revolutionary Party and to make the rally at Alexandra Pavilion on June 30 a huge political success.

SPONSORS OF THE MARCH INCLUDE:

National Local Authority Co-ordinating Committee of shop stewards, ACTT General Council.

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Bilston Glen NUM, Comrie NUM branch, Rowntrees Mackintosh shop stewards committee, British Rail Engineering Springburn Works Committee, Stirling Trades Council, Edinburgh Trades Council, Grampian Region NALGO, Aberdeen UCATT, Strathclyde FBU, Fife Federation of Trades Councils, Burrough Computers Shop Stewards Committee, Cumbria, CPSA and SCPS branches, Crown Agents, East Kilbride, T&GWU shop stewards Victoria Infirmary Glasgow, ASTMS Edinburgh general branch.

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YORKSHIRE

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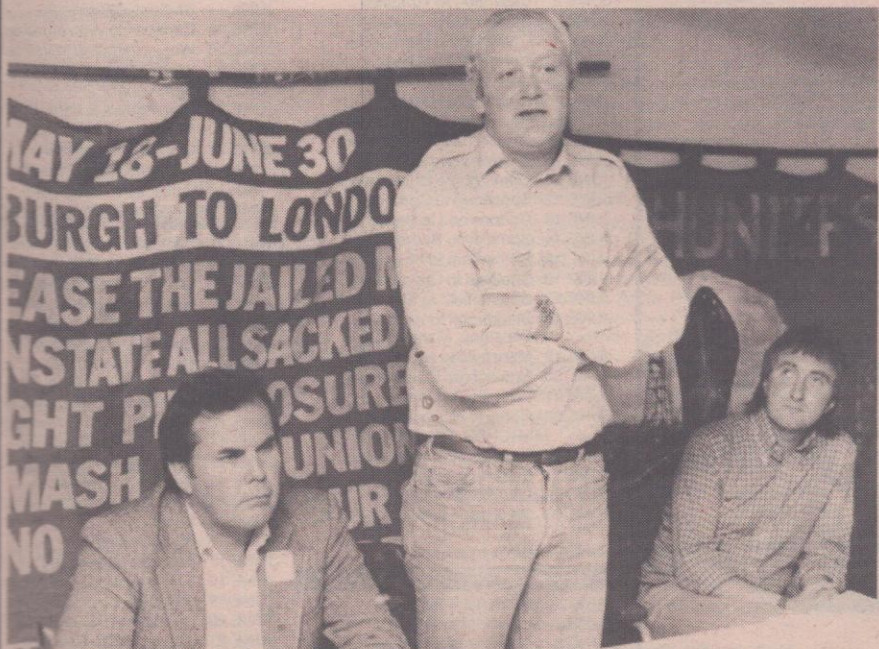
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LONDON

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Durham miners' executive member Arthur Oxley, who brought fraternal greetings to the marchers on Tuesday night. He is fighting for his job back after being acquitted of charges made during the strike. Here he is seen with Alex Mitchell of the WRP Central Committee (left), and Kevin Flynn, manual workers' shop steward at Swan Hunter's shipyard.

This morning ...

**THURSDAY
May 30, 1985**

Come back Hitler: Tory racists forgive you

THE imposition of visa requirements on Tamils seeking refuge in Britain is an overt act of racism by a Tory government desperate to find scapegoats for mass unemployment.

Thatcher's crisis-ridden regime is consciously playing the racist card to try and create an hysterical back-lash to the presence of immigrant workers in Britain.

It is the surest sign that the Tory government is being driven relentlessly towards the imposition of police-military dictatorship over an undefeated working class.

Far from having 'defeated fascism', as the reformists and Stalinists would have us believe, British capitalism is in fact turning to the same methods employed by the Nazi regime of Hitler.

In that they are of course aided by the Fleet Street press, who yesterday joined the Downing Street-orchestrated chorus against 'floods' of Tamils coming to Britain.

Robert Maxwell's 'Daily Mirror', which speaks for the Labour leadership, demanded that Britain's immigration policies 'cannot be relaxed for those merely seizing the opportunity to jump the queue'.

It added: 'To those facing a genuine threat we have always been a haven. But that isn't a limitless guarantee.'

On that basis, of course, the British government turned away thousands of Jews seeking a refuge from the Nazi pogroms during the 1930s.

Rupert Murdoch's 'Sun' also seized the chance to back Thatcher's crude attempt to link immigration with the mass unemployment produced by the world economic crisis of the capitalist system.

The 'Sun', whose editorial policies are often indistinguishable from fascist periodicals, raged: 'There is a limit on the numbers a small country can absorb without intolerable strain on housing, schools, hospitals and social services.'

It supported the bleatings of Tory MP Terry Dicks, who said yesterday: 'We must screw down on the immigration rules and send them all back.'

'The Guardian' proved that when you scratch an English liberal you find underneath a chauvinist and a man without principles of any kind.

It joined the 'no open door' brigade of the ultra-right in a lengthy editorial about the plight of Tamils in Sri Lanka, it asked: 'What then should Britain do?'

The answer? 'First, recognise as refugees those who fit commonsense definitions — and then take in a fair number. (Our emphasis). (Stress, here and now, that refugees go home when things are sorted out).'

But the liberal apology for the racist actions of the Tory government was overtaken by events. Far from taking in a 'fair number', Thatcher has decreed in her Bonapartist fashion that no Tamils can come to Britain as refugees.

Such is the speed of events in Britain. Only last week Home Secretary Leon Brittain ruled that Tamils had 24 hours in which to make out a case for staying; that was not good enough for Thatcher, and she overturned her own instructions.

It is no accident that the reactionary ban on Tamil refugees coincides with a rapid deterioration of the economic prospects of the Thatcher government.

Oil revenues — on which it is utterly dependent — are plunging with the fall in the dollar and the collapse of prices in a glutted market. Manufacturing trade is at an historic low point and real unemployment soars past the 4 million mark.

The naked introduction of racist propaganda by the Thatcher regime is a warning to the whole working class. It confirms that Bonapartism is accelerating preparations for a civil war confrontation to destroy trade unions and democratic rights.

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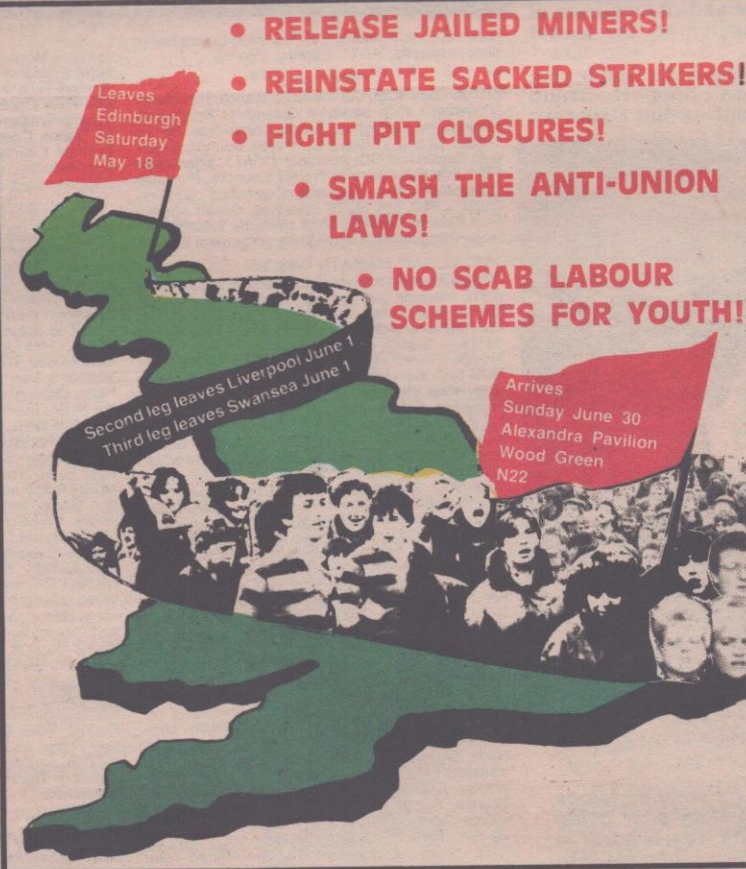
Northern labour



Marcher Geoff Hartnell addressing the meeting of the regional TUC and north-east Labour Party executives yesterday

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- SMASH THE ANTI-UNION LAWS!
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THE ROUTE OF THE MARCH

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JUNE 8	Manchester
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REINSTATE all sacked miners

Leaders hear marchers

THE REGIONAL executives of the TUC and the Labour Party yesterday expressed their support for an amnesty for the miners. Officials attending the joint meeting at northern TUC headquarters in Newcastle gave the commitment after hearing from a delegation representing the Edinburgh-to-London marchers.

Victimised and sacked miner, Geoff Hartnell, told the joint TUC-Labour executives that the struggle of the labour and trade union must be to secure the release of jailed miners and the reinstatement of sacked men.

He was accompanied by sacked Rossington miners Keith Littlewood and Dave Hilton and Co. Durham miner Paul Cairns of Eppleton Colliery. They were invited to the meeting after lobbying delegates on the way.

Tom Burlinson, chairman of the meeting, welcomed the sacked miners saying: 'We can't pass resolutions at this meeting and we can't determine the policy of individual trade unions.'

'But the Northern Labour Party at its conference last weekend voted to support an amnesty for the miners and we will give you any support for the cause of an amnesty for the miners. We wish all the best to you in your march and your campaign.'

Burlinson is the TUC regional chairman and regional secretary of GMBATU. He is tipped to replace David Aspinall as the general secretary of the union.

Speaking on behalf of the 60-organised march, Hartnell said the jailed miners could not be forgotten because that would also mean the sacked miners being

buried too.

The fight for the release of the jailed miners and the reinstatement of sacked miners was absolutely vital because their only 'crime' had been to fight for the right to work. If they were forgotten, then all those fighting closures and redundancies would be condemned to the same fate as the miners.

Northumberland NUM president Dennis Murphy gave details of the support his area had given the marchers adding: 'The number one priority is getting an amnesty and I wish you every success.'

Hartnell explained to the meeting that Scottish NUM president Mick McGahey and his vice president George Bolton had opposed the march in Scotland but that the rank of file of the miners and other trade unions had given tremendous support.

Murphy said he had been made aware of this and that he couldn't understand it.

Before the meeting began, Wearmouth miners' secretary Dave Hopper met the march delegation and offered his support. His own son had been jailed during the 12-month strike.

At lunchtime yesterday another march delegation visited the Monkton coke works at Hebburn



Dave Hopper, secretary of the Wearmouth miners, whose own son was imprisoned during the miners' strike, speaking with a delegation of marchers (right to left): Geoff Hartnell, Keith Littlewood from Rossington, Paul Cairns, and Dave Hilton, also from Rossington

ED MINERS MAY 18-JUNE 30

MAIN MARCH

TODAY

- a.m. Leave South Shields to march via Whitburn Workshops to Seaburn
- p.m. Meal at Henry VIII hotel
- p.m. March through Sunderland
- p.m. Arrive in Sunderland
- p.m. Meeting

TOMORROW

- a.m. March from Labour Club Sunderland via Herrington Pit Welfare Club
- p.m. Meal at Herrington
- p.m. March to Seaham Harbour
- p.m. Arrive Dawdon Welfare
- p.m. Dance at Seaham Leisure Centre

SATURDAY

- a.m. March from Dawdon Welfare via Murton
- a.m. Assemble Easington Village. March to Peterlee
- p.m. Meal at Peterlee
- p.m. Meeting at Peterlee hosted by Durham County Federation of Trades Councils.
- p.m. March to Easington via Horden
- p.m. Arrive at Easington for meal
- p.m. Social at Easington Welfare

FINAL RALLY

Andra Pavilion, Sunday June 30, 3p.m.

- IE DIXON, YS National Committee
- ALY, WRP Central Committee
- BANDA, WRP General Secretary
- IE CHAND, YS National Committee
- PIRANI, WRP Central Committee
- onal capacity:
- COLLINS, Secretary Kent area NUM
- Y RICHARDSON, Secretary Notts area NUM
- ATER, General Secretary National Union of Seamen
- IE AITCHISON, Sacked Bilston Glen branch secretary
- ILBURN, National chairman Women Against Pit Closures
- NIGHT, Leader Lambeth council

THIS SATURDAY

Two new marches start this Saturday, June 1, to join the main march which left Edinburgh on Saturday May 18. Give them a great send off. Come along with your banners:

LIVERPOOL

- 11.30a.m. Assemble Pier Head, Liverpool
- 12 noon Rally.

Speakers include Les Huckfield MEP, Eddie Loydon MP, John Hamilton (City council leader), Terry Abbot (T&GWU Regional executive committee), Charles McLaren (Sacked Hem Heath NUM branch committee and Labour councillor)

- 12.40p.m. March through city centre
- 2.30p.m. Meeting at Central Hall

Speakers include: Wayne Chand (YS National Committee), Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee), In personal capacity: Keva Coombes (County Council leader), Ray Williams (Secretary Liverpool NGA'82), Tommy Keefe (NEC NUS), Billy Albertina (Chairman Cammell Lairds Occupation Committee), Sylvia Pye (Women Against Pit Closures), Jimmy Nolan (Chairman Liverpool Ports shop stewards), Steve French (Black Caucus), Elwyn Williams (Point of Ayr NUM)

- 5.00p.m. Reception at Merseyside TU Community and Resource Unemployed Centre
- 7.30p.m. Dance with band 'Western Promise'

SWANSEA

- 11.00a.m. Assemble Leisure Centre
- 11.30a.m. Rally at Amphitheatre

Speakers include (in personal capacity): Joe Barlow (Branch secretary West Wales National Union of Seamen), Dai John (T&GWU buses branch secretary), Millie Williams (Betws Miners Wives), Bobby Roberts (Phurnacite sacked miners), Gethin Jones (NUM, Rhymney Community Campaign)

- 12.30p.m. March through city centre
- 2.30p.m. Arrive for lunch Clydach Miners Welfare
- 3.30p.m. Leave Miners Welfare for Pontardawe
- 5.30p.m. Arrive Pontardawe

WESTOE WELCOME

WESTOE miners at South Shields brought their banners to welcome the Edinburgh-to-London marchers when they arrived from Newcastle late yesterday afternoon.

Members of the women's support committee then provided a hearty spread of soup, sandwiches, tea and coffee for the 60-strong contingent who have now been on the road for 11 days.

For the final leg from Jarrow to South Shields we were joined by a group of Eppleton and Westoe miners where men have been sacked for their part in the heroic miners' strike.

John Burrell said he was fully in support of the aims of the march because two Westoe miners have been victimised and sacked by the Coal Board.

'They were taken to

court and charged with beating up a scab,' he explained. 'But both were acquitted.'

'Although they were cleared by the courts they still lost their jobs. It is a bloody disgrace. They have done absolutely nothing and yet they have lost their livelihoods.'

He said the area coal chiefs had refused to consider their reinstatement. 'Management refuses to move one inch,' he said.

The two miners, Ian Gray and Billy McBarron, are taking the NCB to an Industrial Tribunal in an effort to get their jobs back.

Burrell said that since the strike the management was behaving in an arrogant and ruthless fashion. 'If a miner is heard calling someone a scab he is called up and told to keep his mouth shut or be sacked.'

Yesterday's campaign took the marchers from Newcastle through Jarrow to South Shields, solid working class areas where the ravages of the Tory Bonapartist regime have been utterly violent.

Factories are not just closed, they are torn down and sold as scrap and the sites graded over. Shops stand empty or boarded up while one street only a few hundred yards long had no less than ten homes with For Sale notices on them.

But while the Tory regime has been responsible for the relentless growth in mass unemployment it must also be said that the official parliamentary representatives of the Labour Party who sit at Westminster have been willing accomplices.

What Thatcher proposes, the Labour leaders dispose.

RELEASE all class-war prisoners**REINSTATE** all sacked men

Walter Sneddon, a Killoch colliery miner, and his friend Mick Longford resting during the march

SACKED FOR JOINING THE PICKET LINE

WALTER SNEDDON, a 21-year-old miner from Killoch pit in Ayrshire, has been victimised and sacked by the Coal Board. He's on the march to London for his own job, the jobs of all sacked miners and the rights of the NUM.

Walter, who is married, has been in the coal industry for four and a half years. His 'crime' was to picket at Bilston Glen

during the epic 12-month strike.

He was arrested and charged with a breach of the peace. On January 9 he was found guilty and fined £60. On January 31 he was sent an instant dismissal notice.

'The NUM has tried to get my job back but with no success at all,' said Walter. 'We should not be asking the TUC for support, we should be demanding it.'

Killoch and the neighbouring Barony pit are under the NCB's axe, and

this is in an area where unemployment is already averaging 30 per cent.

'If the pits close it will be a disaster,' Walter said.

The NCB chiefs are saying that they cannot put a future on Killoch. There are local rumours that the pit could close in 18 months but some put it earlier.

One miner went to management to ask for his holidays in September but he was told to go in July because 'you won't have to worry about holidays after September'.

Walter says that there are two or three seams at Killoch which have not been developed. 'There's coal to be got there,' he said.

Lessons

Looking back on the lessons of the strike Walter is deeply proud of the struggle of his union and especially president Arthur Scargill and general secretary Peter Heathfield. 'I believe that if everyone had fought the way that Scargill did we could have won,' he said.

'If every area had leaders like Scargill then the outcome would have been very different. Scargill went to Orgreave and he was always mixing with the miners and their supporters. But we never saw (Mick) McGahey.'

Walter is especially bitter about the TUC leaders. 'They were terrible,' he said. 'They should have come out on strike alongside us.'

'I think they were afraid because they thought Thatcher might turn her guns on them too.'

'They gave us some money, but that was hopeless. Money isn't everything. Thatcher was prepared to spend all the money in the world against us.'

As for the Labour Party leaders, Walter describes them as 'a complete wash out'. Local Labour MP George Foulkes came to the picket line only about twice during the entire dispute.

Walter is very critical of the Scottish NUM leaders for the way they have turned their back on the jailed miners. 'They want to forget about the jailed men,' he said. 'This is completely wrong. Those who are locked up are not criminals. They are political prisoners in Thatcher's Britain.'

'To get a jail sentence for writing "scab" on a wall is terrible.'

Walter concluded: 'I am disappointed with the Scottish NUM leadership. It should have done more for the victimised and sacked miners.'

'We must get real support from the Scottish NUM so we can get our jobs back.'

'The working class is either going to let Thatcher get away with more pit closures, mass unemployment and attacking the unions, or there'll be a revolution. Obviously, I'm hoping for the second alternative.'

THE JAILED MEN

SCOTLAND

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

DURHAM

GLEN BLACK: Dawdon - Two-year sentence from March 1985. HMYCC, York Road, Wetherby, West Yorks. LS22 SED.

PETER GILES: Easington - Nine-month sentence from April 1985.

KEVIN HUGHES: Dawdon - Two-year youth custody sentence from March 1985. E46421, Durham Prison, Old Elvet, Durham DH1 3HU.

BARRY KENNEY: Easington - Nine-month sentence from April 1985.

JOHN LITTLE: Dawdon - Two-year sentence from March 1985. HMYCC, York Road, Wetherby, West Yorks. LS22 SED.

JOHN ANTHONY PARKIN: Easington - Nine-month sentence from April 1985.

RAYMOND PATTERSON: Dawdon - Two-year sentence from March 1985. HMYCC, York Road, Wetherby, West Yorks. LS22 SED.

MARK ROBSON: Easington - Nine-month sentence from April 1985. E46751, Durham Prison, Old Elvet, Durham DH1 3HU.

MARK ROCHESTER: Dawdon - Two-year sentence from March 1985. E46961, Haverigg Prison, nr Millom, Cumbria.

D. SCOTT: Easington - Nine-month sentence from April 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 from March 1985. HMYCC, York Road, Wetherby, West Yorks. LS22 SED.

BRIAN LITTLE: Dawdon - Engineer. Two-year sentence from March 1985. HMYCC, York Road, Wetherby, West Yorks. LS22 SED.

IAN STEPHENSON: Dawdon - Unemployed. Two-year youth custody sentence from March 1985. E46969, HMYCC, Deebolt, Barnard Castle.

YORKSHIRE

TERRY CAPSTICK: Brinkley - Nine-month sentence from April 1985. G79350, Kirkham Prison, Frickleton Road, Preston, Lancs. PR4 2RA.

CLIVE THOMPSON: Frickley - Three-year sentence from April 1985. G79348, Acklington Prison, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE65 9XF.

PAUL WRIGHT: Saville - 18-month sentence. G76424, Kirkham Prison, Frickleton Road, Preston, Lancs. PR4 2RA.

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

ROBERT LATHAM: South Kirby - Nine-month sentence from April 1985. HMYCC Hatfield, Doncaster DN7 6EL.

NORTHUMBERLAND

NIGEL BIRCH: Bates - Three-month sentence from April 1985. R56143, Durham Prison, Old Elvet, Durham DH1 3HU.

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

LANCASHIRE

STEVEN HARDMAN: Parkside - Six-month sentence from April 1985. Risley Remand Centre, Warrington Road, Risley, nr Warrington, Cheshire.

NORTH DERBYSHIRE

KEVIN BEAL: Shirebrook - Two-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. E71361, Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

DAVID GAUNT: Shirebrook - 2½-year sentence from December 1984. E71037, A Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

STEPHEN GREGORY: Warsop - 18-month sentence. Due for release September 1985.

VICTOR GREGORY: Marikham - 18-month sentence. Due for release September 1985.

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

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

PAUL JONES: Shirebrook - Two-year sentence from December 1984. E71036, D Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

IAN KESTLE: Shirebrook - Two-year sentence from December 1984. E032, Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

DAVID MASON: Shirebrook - Two-year sentence from December 1984. E71033, F Wing, Millers Park Youth Custody Centre, Doddington Road, Wellingborough.

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

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

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. E71362, Sudbury Prison, Derby DE6 5HW.

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

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

WEST MIDLANDS

LES WARD: Coventry - Unemployed ex-miner. Six month sentence. Expected release May 29, 1985. C54232, A Wing, Ranby Prison, Retford, Notts DN22 8EU.

STAFFORDSHIRE

WILLIAM BANNISTER: Hem Heath - Two-year sentence from January 1985. H21046, Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

MICHAEL JONES: Hem Heath - Two-year sentence from January 1985. H68327, HMYCC Stoke Heath, Market Drayton, Salop.

STEVEN LOWE: Hem Heath - Two-year sentence from January 1985. H21045, 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. H21047, Walton Prison, Hornby Road, Liverpool 9.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

JOHN BAILEY: Hucknall - Four months sentence from May 1985. C98044, Lincoln Prison, Greetwell Road, Lincoln LN2 4BT.

ANDREW NEWBOLD: Hucknall - Three month sentence from May 1985. 043, Ranby Prison, Retford, Notts DN22 8EU.

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. B74748, Weald Wing, Maidstone Prison, Kent.

GARRY NEWELL: Three-year sentence from April 1985. B74745, Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

JOHN O'CONNOR: Betteshanger - Two-month sentence. Due out June 3, 1985. P65555, Eastchurch Prison, Stamford Hill, Sheerness.

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. B74747, Wandsworth Prison, London SW18.

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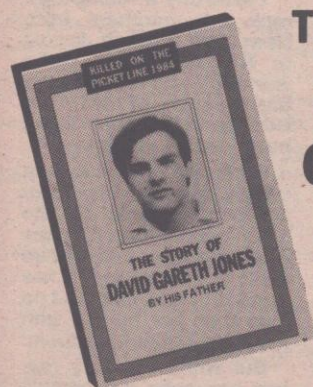
PETER GATES: UCATT. One-year sentence from March 1985. L33574, Weyland Prison, Griston, Thetford.

SOUTH WALES

DEAN HANCOCK: Oakdale - Life sentence. Cardiff Prison, Knox Road, Cardiff CF2 1UG.

RUSSELL SHANKLAND: Taff Merthyr - Life sentence. Hospital Wing, Cardiff Prison, Knox Road, Cardiff CF2 1UG.

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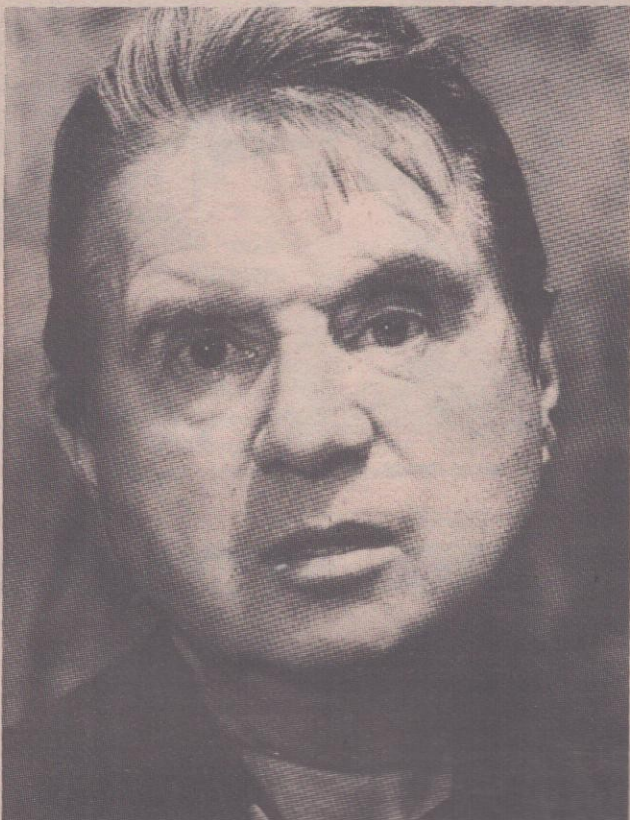
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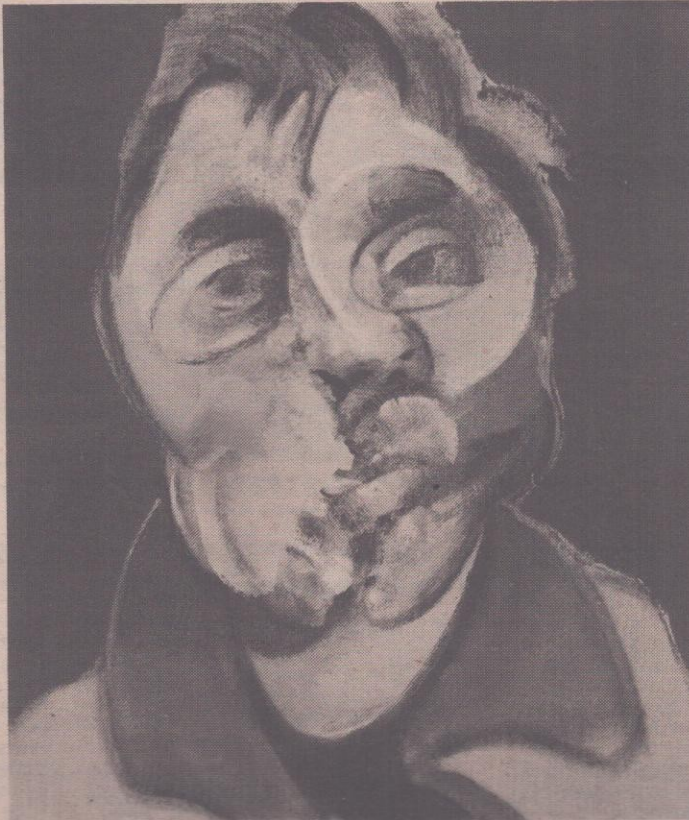
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Art Exhibition



Photograph of Francis Bacon by Jane Brown, 1980



'Self Portrait' (1969) — oil on canvas — 14 x 12 inches

Francis Bacon — a harsh reality

OBSESSIVE, introverted, self-centred — these are some of the epithets hurled at Francis Bacon the painter — some of the kinder ones.

'Don't get me wrong', cry the critics, 'the man can paint — oh yes — there's no disputing that. But all this torment, is it really that bad?'

When people have asked Bacon over the years what his art is about his usual reply has been to tell them to go and look at the pictures.

Now thanks to the Tate gallery — who have mounted a major retrospective of Bacon's work, the second in his lifetime — they can take the artist's advice.

There are more than 120 paintings spanning 40 years. And Bacon was a late starter. The earliest paintings date from 1944 when he was 34 years old. He had painted before this but destroyed much of his earlier work.

Born in Ireland of English parents in 1909 Bacon is a direct descendant of the Elizabethan Francis Bacon.

He left home at the age of 16 and travelled to Berlin in the 1920s. He then lived in Paris, working as an interior designer.

It was in Paris after seeing an exhibition of Picasso's work that he was inspired to make drawings and watercolours.

**Francis Bacon at the Tate Gallery, Millbank, London until August 18, 1985
Monday-Saturday 10.00-17.50. Sunday 14.00-17.50. Admission £2**

REVIEW BY KATHY HILTON

Bacon considers his 'Three Figures at the Base of a Crucifixion' (1944) the beginning of his painting. Its screaming orange colour, grotesque mouths and stunted limbs bombard you as you enter the exhibition.

For many people this painting, when it was first exhibited in 1945, summed up all the horror of the war.

But now the war was over, wasn't it? Now maybe Bacon would get on and paint pleasanter things. But he didn't.

Screaming

His 'Figure Study I' (1945-6) is a massive heringbone coat hiding some strange stooping figure. When the figure does emerge in 'Figure Study II' (1945-6) it is a gross screaming form.

The study for a portrait — 'Man in a Blue Box' (1949) with its form contained in a defined linear box heralds the famous paintings of screaming Popes.

His animals 'Chimpanzee' (1955) and 'Study of a Baboon' (1953) are also caged and screaming.

The colours in these early paintings are often dark and subdued. The brilliant purple and

gold of paintings of the popes is more symbolic than a means to create form.

The imagery comes from far and wide.

The Popes are from Velasquez; the scream from Eisenstein's nurse in the film 'Battleship Potemkin'; the anatomy from medical textbooks; the slaughtered meat from Rembrandt; the writhing figures from Edward Muybridge's book of photographs.

The sources are many, but it is not so much the collection of images as what Bacon does with them. He permeates them with violence.

But what is this violence?

Bacon says: 'The violence of my life, the violence I've lived amongst, I think is different from the violence in painting.'

'When talking about the violence of paint, it's nothing to do with the violence of war. It's to do with an attempt to remake the violence of reality itself.'

'We nearly always live through screens — a screened existence. And I sometimes think when people say my work looks violent that perhaps I have from time to time been able to

clear away one or two of the veils or screens.'

The paintings are always monumental in content but not in size. But from the early 1960s the truly monumental triptych predominates.

Bacon is the master of the triptych form — three paintings in one, connected yet unconnected.

They are usually a figure or figures in three different poses. They are on the verge of narrative, but fall short of telling a story.

What does happen is that even without knowing the content — the feeling comes through.

Tension

The supercharged tension of 'Triptych — Studies of the Human Body' (1970) is breathtaking. The figure in convulsive movement is balanced on a thin white pole — in a limitless lilac space which is the background.

The triptych titled from T. S. Eliot's poem 'Sweeney Agonistes' (1967) is truly terrifying.

The many portraits of these two decades are again often in studies of three, much smaller in scale than the triptychs but if possible more penetrating in their analysis. They are portraits in movement, giving not only a many-sided study of the appearance but bringing out the whole character of the sitter.

Of the single pictures from this period 'Portrait of George Dyer riding a bicycle' (1966) is an

untypically humorous work, an almost futuristic image. The multi-wheeled cycle in rapid motion with the swivelling head of Dyer turning from side to side, desperately trying to keep his balance.

Also standing out from the rest is 'Study for Bullfighter No.1' (1966). The bullfighter becomes one with the bull in a frantic study of movement. The movement is contained in the circle of the bull ring but through a single strip on the right hand side of the picture we are allowed a glimpse of the massive crowd of spectators.

The space of Bacon's painting is always important. It is a confined space to allow the sharpest concentration on the figure within it. It is mostly interior and then often defined again within the interior.

Even in his pictures outdoors, 'Portrait of Isabel Rawsthorne Standing in a Street in Soho' (1967) she is trapped in a cage within the street. The cars and traffic move around her but she is caught in her own self movement.

What is Bacon then? Introvert, inward looking, maybe. But there's no escape for him. His every breath of 40 years is there, all of it out there on display.

Why the cries of rage, then, at Bacon's work? Perhaps his critics are crying out not so much at the man but at what he shows them of themselves.

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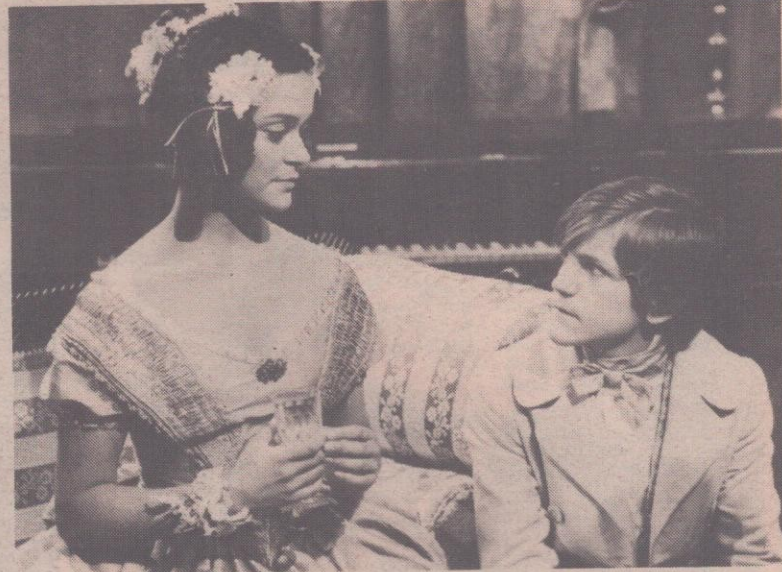
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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time. 9.20 Pages from Ceefax. 10.20 Play School. 10.40 International Cricket: Coverage of England v Australia at Old Trafford. 1.05 News After Noon. 1.30 Weather News. 1.32 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report, News Headlines). 1.35 International Cricket. 3.53 Regional News (except London). 3.55 Mop and Smiff. 4.10 Ivor the Engine. 4.15 Jigsaw. 4.30 Bananaman. 4.35 Dogtanian and the Three Musketeers. 4.55 John Craven's Newsround. 5.05 Blue Peter. 5.35 Dr Kildare.

6.00 THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS Weather News

6.35 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINE

7.00 EASTENDERS

7.30 TOMORROW'S WORLD A weekly review of the latest ideas from the world of science and technology

7.55 TOP OF THE POPS With John Peel and Janice Long

8.25 THE LITTLE AND LARGE SHOW Repeat of the comedy show

9.00 THE NINE O'CLOCK NEWS Weatherman

9.25 MATT HOUSTON *The Ghost of Carter Gault* Matt tries to trap a criminal who was involved in an attempt to assassinate an ex-newsman

10.15 QUESTION TIME Donald MacCormick takes the chair at the Royal Naval Engineering College in Plymouth

11.15 THE LEARNING MACHINE Tim O'Shea looks at some possible futures for computers in education

11.40 Weather; Closedown

BBC WALES: 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Dr Kildare. 8.25-9.00 Week In Week Out.

BBC2

6.30-7.20 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.30 Maths. 6.55 Energy and Rockets. 9.00 Pages from Ceefax. 12.50 Volunteers and Social Management. 1.05 Biotechnology. 1.40-1.55 Camberwick Green. 2.00 You and Me. 2.15 International Show Jumping; from the All England Jumping Course, Hickstead, Sussex. 3.50 International Cricket: Further coverage of England v Australia from Old Trafford.

7.30 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather

7.35 FLOWER OF THE MONTH The Clematis

7.45 RECOVERY In the fourth of five programmes about British companies in the recession, Brian Redhead visits TI's gas cooker factory in Warrington

8.10 LOST IN MUSIC A film for 'Global Report' — the true story of a young man from the East Caribbean island of St Kitts who is faced with the prospect of leaving his home for New York if he wishes to succeed as a pop singer

9.00 LEAVING Comedy by Carla Lane with Susan Hampshire and Keith Barron. Daniel and Martha visit their old marital home to put their separation in perspective

9.30 ALEC CLIFTON-TAYLOR'S ENGLISH TOWNS An appreciation of Warwick

10.10 INTERNATIONAL CRICKET Highlights of England v Australia at Old Trafford

11.00 NEWSNIGHT

11.45 Weatherview

11.50 WEEKEND OUTLOOK A preview of daytime programmes from the Open University

11.55-12.50 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 11.55 Learning Maths Together. 12.20 Modern Art: Matisse.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 SUMMER STOCK (1950) Judy Garland and Gene Kelly in this glossy MGM song-and-dance musical. Garland plays a Connecticut farmer who allows Kelly's theatrical troupe to use her barn, thus setting the scene for love

4.30 TELEVISION SCRABBLE

5.00 THE WINDS OF WAR *The Winds Rise* Repeat of American drama series based on Herman Wouk's novel, with Robert Mitchum, Polly Bergen, Victoria Tennant, Ali MacGraw and Jan-Michael Vincent. It is 1939 and Commander Henry and his wife are posted to Berlin

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS Presented by Peter Sissons

7.50 COMMENT by equal opportunities lecturer Najma Hafeez; followed by Weather

8.00 MIRROR IMAGE *Swans Way — History and Image* The Birmingham band Swans Way perform at London's Astoria Theatre

9.00 THE BRIGHT SIDE *On the Move* Cynthia has no alternative but to sell the house. With Paula Wilcox, Paul Copley and Geoffrey Hughes

9.30 FILM ON FOUR *Summer Lightning* (1984) Paul Scofield, newcomer Edward Rawle-Hicks, Leonie Mellinger and Tom Bell in this adaptation of Turgenev's novella 'First Love', transposed to Ireland in the 1840s. The adult and successful Sir Robert Clarke remembers and relives the summer when at the age of 14 he fell in love with a 19-year-old girl

11.10 THE UNREPEATABLE 'WHO DARES WINS ...'

11.40 ARE YOU TAKING THE TAB-LETS? *Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery*

12.10 Closedown

THAMES

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 The Poseidon Files. 11.20 Cartoon Time. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat and Co. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Scarecrow and Mrs King. 2.25 Home Cookery Club. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Thames Sport. 5.45 News.

6.00 THAMES NEWS

6.25 HELP!

6.35 CROSSROADS

7.00 EMMERDALE FARM

7.30 WHOSE BABY?

8.00 ON THE BUSES Comedy with Reg Varney. Faced with a staff shortage, the bus company decides to employ women drivers to the horror of Stan and Jack

9.30 TV EYE TV Eye interviews Arkady Shevchenko, the highest-ranking Soviet diplomat to defect to the capitalist West since World War II

10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *Thames News Headlines*

10.30 SHELLEY

11.00 PARENTS AND TEENAGERS

11.30 EDGAR WALLACE PRESENTS: *Man Detained* A burglar is surprised when a robbery at a photographic company provides a larger sum of money than expected

12.35 Night Thoughts and Closedown

GRANADA

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Once Upon a Time ... Man. 9.55 The Jacksons. 10.20 Struggle Beneath the Sea. 10.45 Tarzan. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat and Co. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News at One. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Scarecrow and Mrs King. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 Granada Reports News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Connections. 5.45 News.

6.00 GRANADA REPORT

6.05 CROSSROADS

6.30 GRANADA REPORTS Including Liverpool homecoming

7.10 EMMERDALE FARM

7.40 HART TO HART *Year of the Dog*

8.30 MINDER *You Lose Some You Win Some* Terry and Arthur find themselves 'minding' a bunch of gamblers

9.30 TV EYE An interview with Soviet defector Arkady Shevchenko

10.00 NEWS AT TEN

10.30 SHELLEY *Noises Off* Shelley ends up sharing a cell with endearing boozier Jim. With Hywel Bennett

11.00 PARENTS AND TEENAGERS *Not Talking* Real-life studies of relationships between parents and teenagers

11.30 FIGHT NIGHT Errol Christie returns to centre stage at the Halifax Civil Theatre

12.30 Closedown

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1.15 Ffalabalam. 1.30 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Yr Urdd, Caerdydd A'r Cylch, 1985. 4.45 Ffalabalam. 5.00 Wil Cwac Cwac. 5.05 Y Gwylt. 5.30 Bewitched. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Wheeltracks. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Yr Urdd, Caerdydd A'r Cylch 1985. 8.30 Coleg; News Headlines. 9.05 Awyr Iach. 9.35 Llygad Y Geiniog. 10.05 End of Empire. 11.05 About Time. 12.05 Close.

RADIO

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

6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Bruno Brookes (5.30 Newsbeat). 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 Into the Music (S) Featuring a session from John Verity.

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

4.00 Colin Berry (S). 6.00 Ray Moore (S). 8.05 Ken Bruce (S). 10.30 Jimmy Young (S). 1.05 Sports Desk; David Jacobs (S). 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford (S) (3.02 Sports Desk). 3.30 Music All the Way (S). 4.02 Sports Desk. 4.05 David Hamilton (S) (5.05 Sports Desk). 6.05 John Dunn (S) (6.45 Sport and classified results; 7.30 Cricket Scoreboard). 8.00 Wally Whyton (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Good Human Guide. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. 11.00 Bernard Falk presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Bill Rennells (S) presents Night-ride. 3.00 Male Voice Choir of the Year Competition (S). 3.45-4.00 Ed Welch at the piano (S).

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert (S) Couperin, Kazuko Tsukushi, Mozart arr Johann Wendt, Strauss (8.00-8.05 News) Weber, Schumann, Stockhausen, Elgar.

3 5.55 Shipping Forecast. 6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Prayer for the Day. 6.30 Today (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary; 6.45 Business News; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 Today's News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day). 8.43 Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Checkpoint. 9.30 Hush ... Money. 10.00 News; Medicine Now. 10.30 Morning Story: *Dear Debbie*. 10.45 An Act of Worship (S). 11.00 News; Travel; Analysis. 11.48 One Man and his Bog. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 After Henry. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One; News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. 3.00 News; The Afternoon Play (S) *The Lover in the Cards*. 4.00 News; Enquire Within. 4.10 Bookshelf. 4.40 Story Time: *Dead Man Leading*. 5.00 PM. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 Brain of Britain 1985 (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Any Answers? 7.40 Wrecking the Joint. 9.00 Does He Take Sugar? 9.30 The Huguenot Heritage. 9.45 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Weights and Measures*. 10.29 Weather. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 Headlines). 11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Faces. 12.00-12.15 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping Forecast.

VHF: 5.55-6.00 Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00 Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (Continued). 11.00 Study on 4. 11.30-12.00 Open University.

ROUND THE REGIONS

Mooncat & Co. 12.30 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.00 News; Calendar Headlines; Weather. 1.30 The Love Boat. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Connections. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Street Hawk. 8.30 Minder. 9.30 TV Eye. 10.00 News at Ten; Calendar Headlines. 10.30 The Northern Line. 11.00 Parents and Teenagers. 11.30 Fight Night. 12.30 Closedown.

TSW

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Sesame Street. 10.25 The Intruders. 10.50 Fireball XL5. 11.15 From Cow to Counter. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat & Co. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News; TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Hotel. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Gardens For All. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Street Hawk. 8.30 Minder. 9.30 TV Eye. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News and Weather. 10.34 Shelley. 11.00 Parents and Teenagers. 11.30 Return of the Saint. 12.30 Postscript; South West Weather and Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 TVS Outlook; Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon. 10.40 Matt and Jenny. 11.05 Crazy World of Sport. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat & Co. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News; TVS News. 1.30 Home Cookery Club. 1.35 Falcon Crest. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.27 TVS News; The Parlour Game. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.12 TVS News Headlines; Connections. 5.45 News.

TYNE TEES

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News; Sesame Street. 9.30 David Copperfield. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat & Co. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.00 News; North East News; Lookaround. 1.30 R.T.E. Play. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 North East News. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Connections. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Street Hawk. 8.30 Minder. 9.30 TV Eye. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.32 Parents and Teenagers. 11.00 The Yellow Rose. 11.55 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.15 Good Morning Britain; Sesame Street. 9.25 Sport Billy. 9.50 Mysteries, Myths and Legends. 10.10 History Captured in Jewellery. 10.40 The Butlin's Grand Masters Darts. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10 Mooncat & Co. 12.25 European Folk Tales. 12.40 Contact. 1.00 News; Central News. 1.30 Hart to Hart. 2.30 Play it Again. 3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 ITN News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Foxtales. 4.15 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. 4.20 Wonders in Letterland. 4.40 First Post. 5.00 Dangermouse. 5.15 Connections. 5.45 News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Street Hawk. 8.30 Minder. 9.30 TV Eye. 10.00 News at Ten; Central News. 10.30 Central Lobby. 11.00 Parents and Teenagers. 11.30 Fight Night. 12.30 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.15 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast; Sesame Street. 10.00 Vicky the Viking. 10.50 Day of a Bear Club. 11.15 European Folk Tales. 11.30 About Britain. 12.00 Foxtales. 12.10

PARITY WALK-OUT AT HEYSHAM SITE

AROUND 100 construction workers on the site of Heysham nuclear power station in Lancashire staged a 24-hour strike yesterday over a bonus agreement.

This is the second strike by men employed by subcontractors Henry Hargreaves over an independent bonus scheme, which means the men often don't get paid any bonus at all.

They are demanding parity with the rest of the site, which employs a total of 6,000 workers.

The dispute has brought the strikers into conflict with both union officials and management and is another stage in the long-running battle against the notorious 'Blue Book' whose procedures ban such strikes.

Agreement

The men, all members of AUEW-TASS, are covered by a different agreement, called the Heat and Domestic agreement.

This runs parallel with the 'Blue Book' and con-

tains the same procedural strait-jacket.

This effectively means that men on strike are not allowed to take any industrial action in defence of their working conditions.

Shop steward John Gray explained how the project joint council (PJC), which officially represents the entire site, told him that they would respect the picket line but only under certain conditions.

He said: 'They had a private meeting of 42 shop stewards and told us we had to act under their guidelines. Our pickets had been stopping everything going on to the site.'

'The PJC told us we could only stop every third car and we should let their members into work.'

'I told them we would continue to stop everything.'

Shackle

Because of the use of the 'Blue Book' to shackle the men who wanted to fight for their rights, the site had elected a new convenor who set up a co-ordinating committee of shop stewards.

Gray said that he was at the meetings that elected Liverpool CEU delegate Billy Trainor convenor and supported the fight of the co-ordinating committee

against the restrictions of the 'blue book'.

He said: 'Our dispute is a part of the overall fight against the "Blue Book".'

'Our particular agreement also tries to completely tie our hands, we are told the strike cannot be given official backing because of the procedures.'

'I have attended every meeting of the campaign against the "Blue Book" and I completely support the fight being waged by the new convenor.'

'We have to totally change the conditions on site and can only do that by getting rid of the "Blue Book" and all similar agreements.'

Crisp pickets out for more pay



PICKETS were outside the Golden Wonder crisp factory in Widnes yesterday to back strike action for more pay. All four factories in the group were out 6a.m. yesterday morning. T&GWU shop steward Maureen Whatley told News Line: 'We asked for 12½

per cent, but have been offered 6 per cent. The work has increased so we deserve more money. The new machines are throwing crisps out like hell. We are the lowest-paid factory in Widnes.'

Labelling 'designed to confuse'

PROPOSALS to reform food labelling regulations are 'designed to confuse and conceal, rather than inform', it was claimed yesterday.

The London Food Commission, set up by the Greater London Council to monitor and advise on nutritional matters, said the Tories 'seem to be responding to the needs of the food industry and not the needs of the consumer.'

'Radical changes are needed in food labelling regulations to bring them into line with current nutritional thinking,' said Adriana Luba, author of 'The Food Labelling Debate', a report prepared for the Commission.

Focus

The Commission is critical of the government's proposals to focus only on the statutory labelling of fat content in certain foods. 'We would like to see detailed nutritional labelling being made compulsory on all foods.'

'This would include information on energy, total fat and a breakdown into types of fatty acids, added sugar, salt and fibre. This labelling would be in line with two recent government reports on nutrition.'

'As they stand, the government's current proposals on voluntary labelling of energy, protein, total carbohydrates and fat are totally irrelevant to today's major food-related health problems,' it says.

Row over motor safety tests

THE MOTOR trade is pressing the Tories to launch an inquiry into the MoT test for cars — and make it more stringent.

It should include a tougher braking test and the right for MoT centres to dismantle parts, says the garage trade newspaper 'Motor Trader'.

But the AA says the annual test for cars more than three years old should be made easier instead of allowing garages simply to 'increase their profits'.

'Motor Trader' says: 'To pass a MoT test, a car need only have half the recommended braking power. The increase in stopping distance could kill.'

It calls for braking efficiency standards in the test to be increased to 70 per cent.

It also wants MoT centres to be given the right

to dismantle parts likely to be dangerous for further examination, along with mandatory inspection of brake pipes and a statutory wheel alignment.

But an AA spokesman said: 'We believe that instead of complicating the MoT test, all the evidence points to a need to simplify it drastically.'

'One can fully understand the efforts of a vested interest to increase their profits from a mandatory test.'

The AA says it has been unable to obtain evidence from any official source that even the present MoT test contributes to road safety and it can

cause motorists to cut costs by servicing their car only once a year, when the test is due.

The trade call for a tougher test comes as garage owners are objecting to new regulations for test centres. These include better equipped and larger bays to be used

exclusively for MoT work and viewing areas for motorists to watch their cars being examined.

The Motor Agents Association has claimed that the cost of meeting the new regulations could force half the 17,000 MoT centres to give up the testing business.

Jumbo flights for Barry's fight

JUMBO JETS are to be used for the first time on the London-Belfast shuttle route next month.

They are being used in a one-off operation to cope with the massive demand for seats from Irish boxing fans travelling to see Barry McGuigan's world title fight against Eusebio Pedroza.

Nearly one-third of the 25,000 tickets for the contest at Loftus Road, QPR's football ground, have been sold in Ireland.

Dan-Air and British Midland are already fully booked, but British Airways are laying on an extra 2,000 seats involving four Jumbo-jets.

Public land sell-off condemned

PUBLIC authorities are selling land in central London on the open market to the highest bidder for office and luxury housing developments.

An investigation by the Campaign for Homes in Central London (CHiCL) has revealed that some 470 acres of public land in central London put on the market for sale in the last three years could have accommodated over 13,000 rented homes with gardens, housing nearly 50,000 people.

CHiCL's latest bulletin, 'Public Land Sales Bonanza', shows how in recent years public authorities have come under increasing pressure from the government to raise money by selling their land and property.

Faced with an ever-tightening financial squeeze, they have found it essential to maximise the returns on the sales of these assets — which has meant selling to office and luxury housing developers able to pay the highest price.

The bulletin explains how government legislation and recent government decisions effective-

ly prevent public authorities from selling land to local authorities or housing associations for building low-rent homes.

Louanne Tranchell, secretary of CHiCL, said: 'Public authorities ought to be acting in a socially responsible manner, not behaving like property speculators.'

'Any land and property assets that are genuinely surplus to their needs should be used to relieve the chronic housing and social needs of the local communities, not sold to developers to build unwanted office blocks and expensive luxury flats.'

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Winning Post

French raid on Brighton

IT SHOULD pay to make the French connection at BRIGHTON today.

Newmarket-based Olivier Douieb and jockey Alain Lequeux could well land a treble on the seaside track with Metropolitan Star (3.00), Bel Oscar (4.00) and Evening Blush (4.30).

Douieb's string have been in fine form this season, and Metropolitan Star looks a banker in the 'Park Top' Fillies Handicap.

A winner at Pontefract in April, Metropolitan Star then found Protection too good at Leicester. That form has worked out well, and despite the presence of Raabiha and Cascabel, this mile trip looks ideal to set the treble rolling.

Bel Oscar caught the eye when a strong finishing sixth of 19 to Protection at Beverley. He started 14-1 for that race, and will clearly benefit from the outing. The extra two furlongs of the Portslade

Maiden Stakes will also be in his favour.

Venetian Sky showed a deal of improvement when winning at Goodwood last week, but if home reports are anything to go by, then Douieb's Evening Blush may be good enough to win on her debut.

This Blushing Groom filly is reported to have been striding out really well on the gallops. The Whitehawk Stakes should rest between these two with Evening

Blush completing a memorable afternoon for Douieb and Lequeux.

Ron Smyth and Simon Whitworth, who teamed up to win the Balcome Handicap last year with Shambo-lic, look set for a repeat performance with Party Game (2.00).

The Red Alert filly won a 28 runner handicap at Windsor in April, beating the useful Puccinni by a neck. Since then she has been a beaten favourite on this track when

second to Major's Review. Reverting to five furlongs, she can recoup losses.

The Glynde Apprentice Handicap could also go to a combination successful 12 months ago. Guy Landau and the ever-reliable Widd (2.30) always seem to combine well on this track, and may be too good for Sarah's Venture.

Fancy Pages (3.30) won quite comfortably at Lingfield on Saturday and Pat Mitchell's charge ought to

SELECTIONS

BRIGHTON

2.00 Party Game (n.b.)
2.30 Widd
3.00 Metropolitan Star (nap)
3.30 Fancy Pages
4.00 Bel Oscar
4.30 Evening Blush

CATTERICK

2.15 Websters Feast
2.45 Manhattan Boy
3.15 Ifet
3.45 Runaway
4.15 Chakko
4.45 Half Shaft
5.15 Avebury

follow up in the Patcham Selling Stakes.

The colt scored at Pontefract and Salisbury before running fourth to Fayruz, in Toto and Silvino at Newbury

BRIGHTON

DRAW: Low numbers best over 5 & 6f

2.00 BALCOMBE HANDICAP £2,000
(3-Y-O) 5f (10 runners)

2 (1)	00-0	BIDDESTONE LASS	D Elsworth 97	B Rouse
4 (8)	202300-	DOWNSVIEW	A Moore 93	A Clark
5 (2)	020021-	SALLY O'BRIEN	P Makin 91	G Baxter
6 (7)	200-12	PARTY GAME (BF)	R Smyth 91	S Whitworth (3)
7 (5)	02000-0	POLLY'S TEAHOUSE	C Benstead 90	R Lines (3)
8 (9)	400-000	SILKEN OYSTER (USA)	R Hannon 813	P Cook
9 (6)	0000-00	DISPORT	W Wightman 813	I Johnson
12 (10)	0-0	MRS KILROY	G Hunter 88	R Hills
14 (3)	11000-0	CREETOWN LADY (D)	J Holt 86	R Fox
15 (4)	13-0003	LEAN STREAK	R Simpson 85	J Reid

BLINKERS: 15

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 Party Game, 7-2 Biddlestone Lass, 5-1 Lean Streak, 7-1 Sally O'Brien and Polly's Teahouse, 10-1 Disport, 14-1 others.

2.30 GLYNDE APPRENTICE HANDICAP £2,000
1m 4f (10 runners)

1 (4)	402-100	DHOFAR (C)	G P-Gordon 59.10	S Childs (5)
2 (5)	300044	WIDD (C-D)	D Mills 89.5	G Landau
3 (7)	20140-0	NEW ZEALAND (C-D)	D Marks 49.4	M Lynch
4 (3)	400013-	FULVIO (USA)	J Jenkins 59.3	A Roper
6 (6)	040000-	SIR BLESSED	R Williams 68.13	David Eddery
7 (10)	1100-00	SARAH'S VENTURE (D) (BF)	C Horgan 68.13	I Salmon
11 (9)	000-R30	NORFOLK FLIGHT (C-D)	M Tompkins 88.9	Z Fitzgerald (5)
12 (8)	3-34201	MOSSEMPIRE	R Hannon 38.9 (7 ex)	L Jones

CATTERICK

DRAW: Low numbers best up to 7f

2.15 E.B.F. STAPLETON STAKES £700
(2-Y-O) 5f (9 runners)

1 (4)	0114	WEBSTERS FEAST	M McCormack 94	R Cochrane
4 (3)		BURNING BRIGHT	D Ringer 81.1	P d'Arcy
6 (9)	0	PRICE-OF-PRIDE	J Parkes 81.1	R Elliott
7 (7)	3	TARANGA	M Tompkins 81.1	G Duffield
8 (5)	0	ARRANMORE GIRL	G Fletcher 88	A Bond
9 (6)		JUMP TO IT	D Moorhead 88	R Guest
10 (2)		LINDON	G Fletcher 88	N Day
11 (8)	0	LUX PERPETUA (USA)	W O'Gorman 88	T Ives
12 (1)		OWL'S WAY	W Bentley 88	O Gray

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 Websters Feast, 2-1 Taranga, 6-1 Lux Perpetua, 10-1 Arranmore Girl, 16-1 Burning Bright, 20-1 others.

2.45 PEN HILL SELLING STAKES £1,000
(3-Y-O) 1m 4f (7 runners)

2 (4)	0-000	KAMAROCK	C Spares 90	D Gibson
3 (3)	03023-1	MANHATTAN BOY	C Tinkler 90	M Birch
4 (1)	0-0	MARINER'S BELL	P Rohan 90	R Fahey (7)
6 (2)	000-003	SHUTTLECOCK STAR	K Brassey 90	J Bray (7)
12 (5)	0000-00	HOBBOURNES GIRL	R Hollinshead 81.1	S Perks
13 (7)	0-0000	JUNIPER DAZE	P Rohan 81.1	J Quinn (7)
15 (6)	0000-00	MOUNT EPHRAIM	G Harman 81.1	T Ives

BLINKERS: 2, 15

PROBABLE SP: 11-10 on Manhattan Boy, 13-8 Shuttlecock Star, 8-1 Mariner's Bell, 12-1 Hobournes Girl, 16-1 others.

3.15 HAWES HANDICAP £2,000
(3-Y-O) 6f (13 runners)

7 (6)	22000-1	GRANGE FARM LAD	C Drew 91.0	S Keightley
8 (2)	31200-0	ILFET	J Hindley 97	M Hills
9 (10)	014000-	MRS CHRIS	M Hesterby 96	M Birch
11 (7)	000-002	SNAKE RIVER (BF)	P Haslam 95	G Duffield
12 (9)	0240-04	MY ANNIVERSARY	R Williams 94	T Ives
18 (4)	2043-04	AYRSHIRE LASS	I Balding 92	J Matthias
20 (1)	30-3200	STEVEJAN	B Morgan 91	R Adams (7)
23 (5)	00-00	BROTHER ADAM	E Weymes 81.0	K Darley
24 (13)	0-00242	GLEN GLORY	D Chapman 88	D Nicholls

RACING RESULTS

CARTMEL

2.15 (2m 7f): CLEODOE STAR Mr G Harker (7-2); Not Easy (5-1); Ziparib (11-2); Wimsey (10-1); 11 ran. 10, 3. (Mrs G Reveley) T: £4.40; £1.50, £2.30, £1.40. CSF: £21.71. NR: Milliondollarman & Young Lofy.

2.50 (2m 11f): HAWAIIAN HEIR S J O'Neill (11-4 fav); Technical Merit (6-1); Inspired (9-1); Le Baron Bay (9-1); 11 ran. 4, 1. (W Clay) T: £3.80; £1.90, £2.40, £2. CSF: £22.09. NR: Dreadnought & Gruinastorm.

3.25 (2m 11f): SAINT-MUNN J J O'Neill (5-1); Oxenham (12-1); Fair Babu (4-1); North Yard (3-1 fav); 11 ran. 2 1/2, 3. (Mrs D Culham) T: £4.30; £1.40, £4.40, £2.60. CSF: £60.23. NR: Harbour Bazaar.

4.00 (2m 11f): BATON MATCH J J O'Neill (8-1); Ruler On a Lark (100-30 jt fav); High Drop (10-1); Rabirius (100-30 jt fav); 17 ran. 1 1/2, 8. (M Chapman) T: £9.90; £2.60, £1.80, £3.20, £1.40. CSF: £9.90; £2.60, £1.80, £3.20, £1.40. CSF: £40.83.

4.35 (2m 5f): SCOTTISH DREAM P Tuck (7-2); Park Tower (3-1 jt fav); Bushello (20-1); Marathon Man (8-1); 14 ran. 3, 15. (G Richards) T: £3.80; £1.50, £1.30, £3.50. CSF: £16.12. NR: Greyrose Academic.

5.10 (2m 10f): JIM THORPE D Coakley (11-4 on fav); Johnston's Pride (16-1); Copy Writer (16-1); Millstreak (16-1); 10 ran. 1 1/2, 25. (G Richards) T: £1.20;

£1.10, £1.80, £2.10. CSF: £8.53. NR: Royal Revenge.

BRIGHTON

2.00 (5f): ALICE HILL T Williams (16-1); Ole Flo (12-1); Snowbright (14-1); Cresta Lap (10-1); 10 ran. 3k, 3k. (A Ingham) T: £14.60; £3.60, £1.40, £2.00. CSF: £172.32.

2.30 (7f): EMBROIDERESS G Duffield (20-1); Dr Naeem (5-1); Viceroy Bug (7-1); Laurie Norman (6-1); 10 ran. Sh hd, 1 1/2. (D Morley) T: £21.70; £3.80, £1.50, £1.70. CSF: £108.52. NR: Night Waller.

3.00 (6f): SINGING SAILOR R Wernham (7-1); Little Starchy (10-1); Canif (7-2 fav); St Terramar (33-1); 14 ran. 3/4, 1 1/2. (R Hannon) T: £6.60; £1.90, £3.80, £1.90. CSF: £66.19. NR: Elaine Ann.

3.30 (1m): TRAILFINDER I Johnson (13-2); Oconomowoc (5-1); Fair Eleanor (10-1); Specially Vague (6-1); 12 ran. 2 1/2, 5. (C Nelson) T: £8.60; £2.70, £1.40, £2.00. CSF: £37.08.

4.00 (1m 2f): DERBY DAY T Williams (33-1); Aberfield (11-2); Yabis (9-2 jt fav); King of Speed (9-2 jt fav); 9 ran. 6, 4. (D Wilson) T: £34.30; £13.20, £2.00, £1.70. CSF: £177.42.

4.30 (1m 4f): PYROTECHNIC G Duffield (12-1); King of Comedy (9-1); Careen (6-1); Water Dragon (33-1); 15 ran. 1/2, 12. (G Pritchard-Gordon) T: £13.10; £3.00, £1.30, £1.40. CSF: £107.69. NR: Blair's Winnie.

26 (8)	0-000	LUCKY STARKIST	Ron Thompson 87	
27 (3)	304-002	ABLE MAYBOB	G Gaines 87	G Carter (5)
28 (11)	10-0	VIDEO (D)	M Leach 86	N Leach (7)
29 (12)	2440-00	ITS MY TURN	R Hollinshead 86	W Ryan

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Grange Farm Lad, 4-1 Ayrshire Lass, 5-1 Able Maybob, 11-2 Its My Turn, 8-1 Ifet, 10-1 Snake River and Glen Glory, 14-1 My Anniversary, 16-1 Stevejan, 20-1 others.

3.45 GRINTON STAKES £1,250
(2-Y-O) 5f (4 runners)

1 (1)	01	JOAB (D)	F Durr 99	G Duffield
2 (2)	4141	RUNAWAY (D)	R Hollinshead 99	S Perks
7 (3)		FEATHER GIRL	M Leach 88	D Nicholls
9 (4)	00	SWEET NICOLA (USA)	W O'Gorman 88	T Ives

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 on Runaway, 5-2 Joab, 5-1 Sweet Nicola, 14-1 Feather Girl.

4.15 WIN WITH THE TOTE MAIDEN STAKES
£1,000 1m 4f (17 runners)

1 (3)	0-00	BUCKSKIN'S BEST	J Spearing 39.0	D Nicholls
2 (11)	0-0	CAPAGENIE	R Whitaker 39.0	J H Brown (5)
3 (1)	34-3444	CHAKKO	R Williams 39.0	T Ives
4 (5)	000-000	OCEANUS	Denys Smith 49.0	M Fry
5 (9)		RUNNING ARROW	D Moorhead 49.0	R Guest
6 (14)	00	SEASONAL-SONG	A Smith 49.0	S Webster
8 (4)	00	TRESIDDER	M W Easterby 39.0	K Hogson
10 (15)	0	AL-CLAIRE	A Scott 48.11	J Lowe
13 (10)	00	COMEDY PRINCESS	K Bridgwater 38.11	P d'Arcy
14 (8)	00-230	EYE FLASHER	G P-Gordon 38.11	G Duffield
15 (13)	0000-00	JUST A SPARK	J Mulhall 68.11	
18 (6)	20044-0	MOSSBERRY FAIR	J Etherington 48.11	M Wood
19 (12)	0000-00	SOBRIQUET	Miss L Siddall 48.11	G Gosney
20 (16)	0	SPANISH RAINBOW	M Reddan 48.11	O Gray
22 (17)	0	SUVADERA	G Fletcher 48.11	A Bond
23 (2)		TELECONGOLD	N Bycroft 48.11	M Richardson
24 (7)	00	WONGALILLI	J Rowlands 48.11	M Beecroft

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Eye Flasher, 3-1 Chakko and Mossberry Fair, 9-2 Tresidder, 10-1 All-Claire, 14-1 others.

Pedroza looks mean

EUSEBIO PEDROZA, here to defend the world featherweight title against Barry McGuigan on Saturday week, made his first public appearance in London yesterday, looking no less formidable than when he came over from Panama City to sign the contracts two months ago.

If anything, the solemn, moustachioed South American looks even more of a tough proposition.

With a month of hard New York-style training behind him, the face is leaner and the expression meaner.

But if there is an extra shade of hope for McGuigan it is in the fact that yester-

day Pedroza referred to a future in the super-featherweight division.

'What is your ambition?' was the question passed to him through an interpreter.

'To be proclaimed champion of the super featherweights — in the near future,' Pedroza replied.

Defence

That may mean that he has a feeling that this defence, his 20th, could be his last in the nine stone division, and that the future lies at a more comfortable nine stone four pounds.

At the same time Pedroza, who has to work hard on his weight like most long reign-

ing champions, refused to admit it. 'The weight problem is with the newspaper men,' he said.

His manager, Santiago De Rio, was anxious to make two points clear. The vast sum of money Pedroza is due to receive — about one million dollars is payment for the fight, not a fee to sell his title. And the reason it is taking place in London and not Belfast is purely financial.

'There was more money to fight in London,' he said. 'Pedroza would fight anywhere. If the money was right he would meet McGuigan in his own bathroom.'

The champion has made eight of his record 19 title defences outside his own

country. 'I can adapt to anywhere in the world,' he said. 'And I can change my technique according to the opposition. I also believe I have become stronger and more mature at the age of 29.'

Fights

'As for McGuigan, I have seen a couple of his fights and I consider him dangerous.'

'But anyone in the opposite corner is dangerous,' he added with a shrug of the shoulders.

Capacity for the fight, at Queens Park Rangers football ground, has now been raised to 26,000 with the addition of 4,000 standing places. The promoters forecast a certain sell-out.

Sports Line

'People's hero' settling down

YANNICK NOAH regards his return to Paris for the French Open Championships this year as his 'coming of age'.

Sitting with his baby son, Joakim-Simon, cradled on his knee, Noah told News Line on Tuesday evening: 'The arrival of my son was the last installment in my growing up from playboy to man.'

It's a new look Noah in Paris this week. The Rastafarian dreadlocks have been shorn — 'they didn't suit me' — and the days of crawling into bed in the early hours after nights of club-hopping in the more fashionable part of Paris is past.

'I think now I have my priorities right. My family comes first and then my tennis,' said Noah. 'And I think that has worked to my benefit.'

'I don't feel the pressure so much now that I have out my family first. Indeed I think my game has improved considerably because of this. Mention pressure to Noah and he still talks about those dark winter months back in 1983 when thought seriously about committing suicide.'

Pressures

But for the first time this week, he admitted that the pressures upon him after winning the French Open title earlier that summer was mostly self-inflicted.

'Yes, there was party after party and drink after drink, but I could have said no. I didn't though. Instead I wanted to be part of all that rich set and the problems that go with it.'

'But, fortunately, I managed to avert myself from it and now I don't feel the pressure so much.'

Noah's rise to a place in the world's top ten is very much the fairytale of modern tennis.

Born

Although born in Sedan, France, Noah was brought up in Cameroon, the birthplace of his father.

A footballer of some talent, Noah's father Zachary came to France from Cameroon to play for Sedan, then in the French First Division.

After retiring from the game, Zachary took his family back home — and it

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Yannick comes of age

was there, at the age of 10, that the talents of Yannick were discovered by the American tennis star Arthur Ashe, the former Wimbledon champion.

Tour

Ashe was on a goodwill tour of the African nation when he spotted Noah. He was so impressed with what he saw that he telephoned Philippe Chartier, then president of the French Tennis Federation, and tipped him off.

Within a year Noah had returned to France and thus began his coaching in Paris that was to finally end with him winning the French singles title — the first national since 1945 —

at Roland Garros 13 years later.

Noah also cites the rather harsh decision to suspend him for three months shortly after his Paris triumph as another underlying reason for some of his problems later that year.

'I had to pull out of the World team Cup because I didn't feel I could do France justice. My "reward" for being honest was a three-month ban from tennis,' Noah recalled bitterly.

'But I have forgiven everybody, for my son's sake,' added Noah, rocking his son on his knee.

'Now I am just looking forward to life and hoping to do well in Paris this year

for my family and my supporters.'

The emergence of Noah has given the black working-class population of France someone to cheer at Roland Garros. 'They are my people and I want to do well for them here too,' added Noah.

Cheer on

And so it is, every evening in the bistros and bars here in the French capital. The black population and the Algerians and the Turks gather to cheer on their adopted hero.

A victory for him at Roland Garros is also, they feel, a victory for them — and Noah doesn't mind that at all.



YANNICK NOAH . . . the French tennis fans dearly want to see him win the French Open for the second time

Mats stakes his claim



MATS WILANDER . . . staked his claim for the title with a fine win of young West German Boris Becker

MATS WILANDER staked a genuine claim for another French Open crown yesterday morning at Roland Garros stadium with his destruction of the talented West German youngster, Boris Becker, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.

Before the championships began here on Monday, Wilander stated that he was ready to 'fire on all cylinders' in his attempt to recapture the crown he won in such sensational style as a 17-year-old back in 1982.

It was a little hard to take the Swede's statement seriously after his performances in Dusseldorf last week. But now, after two straight set victories which have carried him into the last 32, Wilander believes that his critics

may have to eat humble pie.

'Maybe now they will believe me when I say that I dearly want to win here again this year,' he said defiantly, shortly after his demolition job on Becker.

Another Swede, Henrik Sundstrom, seeded 12, also reached the third round with a 6-1, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 victory over American Mark Flur, while the Czech Tomas Smid, seeded 13, had little trouble in ousting the Argentinian, Roberto Arguello, 6-4, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

Packed

Frenchmen Henri Leconte and Pascal Portes delighted the packed No.1 court in their second round match and it was Leconte, the hero of the

World Team Cup last week — where he beat Lendl and Wilander — who advanced, winning 6-2, 6-1, 6-3.

■THE women's singles proved to be a little more complicated yesterday morning with Helena Sukova, the No.5 seed, being surprisingly beaten by Switzerland's Catherine Jolissaint and Hana Mandlikova, seeded three, had a real fight on her hands against Elise Burgin of the US.

Sukova started well enough against Jolissaint, taking the first set with some style. But then a nagging knee injury which hindered her progress in Berlin just over a week ago intervened once again and she slipped out of the competition, 6-2, 3-6, 0-6.

It was another one of those frustrating mornings for Mandlikova. The Czech appeared to sleep through the first set, woke for the second — and then decided to play a little when 1-3 down in the final set.

Tough

'It was a little early in the competition to have such a tough match,' she said later. 'But it gives you confidence, it was good for me, but I wouldn't like another match like that.'

■OTHER seeds fared rather better: Chris Evert-Lloyd, the second seed, defeated her compatriot Lisa Bonder, 7-5, 6-3, while Carling Bassett, the No.12 seed, crushed the South African Jennifer Mundel, 6-3, 6-3.

Graeme 'sorry'

GRAEME SOUNESS yesterday apologised for the tackle on Sigi Jonsson, which put the Icelandic player out of football for several months — and the Scotland captain out of the country's biggest World Cup test.

Souness's reckless challenge on the teenager during the dramatic qualifying tie in Reykjavik means he must sit out the final Group Seven match against Wales at the start of next season.

His tackle put Jonsson in hospital with ligament damage and an unconfirmed broken leg, but Souness admitted: 'I went over and said sorry straight away.'

Tackle

'Maybe I was a bit late with the tackle but it upset me because the guy was hurt. I never like to see that happen. That incident also hurt the team, because we were right on top and looking good at the time.'

Souness had to wait a full three minutes to receive a yellow card from the referee as Jonsson, who plays for Sheffield Wednesday, was carried off.

Following a booking for his challenge on Welshman Peter Nicholas at Hampden Park in March, Souness is now ruled out of the Cardiff Arms Park showdown on September 11.

Iceland can do Scots a favour

SCOTLAND, back on course for the World Cup finals, suddenly find themselves cast as heartless muggers for returning to ask a favour of their victim.

Only cruel luck prevented Iceland from gaining victory over the Scots in Reykjavik — but now the unfortunate losers can assist both Scotland and Wales on their way to Mexico.

Iceland, shrewdly managed by Englishman Tony Knapp, meet the other Group Seven challengers, Spain, in two weeks time. And if Iceland can once again summon up the same passion and fervour in their play as they showed against Scotland, the qualifying section could be turned upside down.

Knapp said: 'If we

can't go to Mexico, naturally I would like to see Scotland and Wales go through from this group.

Realise

'Anyone who saw our performance against the Scots will now realise that Iceland are not soft touchers. I don't think Spain will be very happy about coming here.'

'That was the best display by an Icelandic team in my reign but somehow I knew it would be very difficult to beat Scotland. However, I've always fancied my chances against Spain who tend to underestimate teams like us.'

A Spanish defeat in the Icelandic capital on June 12 would leave Scotland and Wales just one point

away from eliminating last year's European Championship finalists.

Knapp added: 'We are in a position to do both Scotland and Wales a huge favour and I think this latest defeat will make my players even keener to beat Spain.'

As things stand at the moment, Scotland are in the driving seat, requir-

ing a draw with Wales on September 11 to finish runners-up.

Winners

That would put them into a play-off against the winners of Oceania group although manager Jock Stein hopes to qualify automatically as Group Seven winners.

Joe steps down

JOE FAGAN made the dramatic announcement that he is stepping down as Liverpool manager only hours before the European Cup final last night.

Fagan, 64, broke the news after delivering his team talk as Liverpool prepared to take on Juventus in the Heysel stadium, Brussels.

'I'm relinquishing my post after tonight by mutual agreement,' said Fagan, who took over two years ago from Bob Paisley.

'There are two reasons for my decision. The first is that I'm too old and the second that I'm a little bit tired. It needs a young man.'

There is already speculation that Kenny Dalglish could come into contention, but if Liverpool were to break with tradition and appoint someone from outside the club Aberdeen's Alex Ferguson could be a leading candidate.

Fagan, who filled a 'back room' position

under the legendary Bill Shankly as well as Paisley, added: 'I've really enjoyed my spell as manager. It's been great, but when I took the job we decided two years was probably going to be enough.'

'I've been happy at Liverpool and I hope to stay with the club in another capacity.'

Last season Fagan took Liverpool to the Champions' Cup, League title and Milk Cup.

This season they finished runners-up behind Everton in the League and and the European Cup was their last chance this season to win yet another trophy.

There has been speculation on Merseyside for a few months about Fagan's position. 'The decision was taken in February,' confirmed Fagan.

Safety act extended

THE SAFETY of Sports Grounds Act was extended yesterday to Third and Fourth Division football clubs, following the Bradford fire disaster.

The fire erupted during Bradford City's last game in the Third Division after they had already clinched the championship.

Had the club's main stand not gone up in flames — killing more than 50 people — Bradford would have gone up to Division Two without a change in the Safety Act.

Making the announcement yesterday, Tory Home Secretary Leon Brittain said that the new requirements for Third and Fourth Division soccer should come into force as soon as possible.

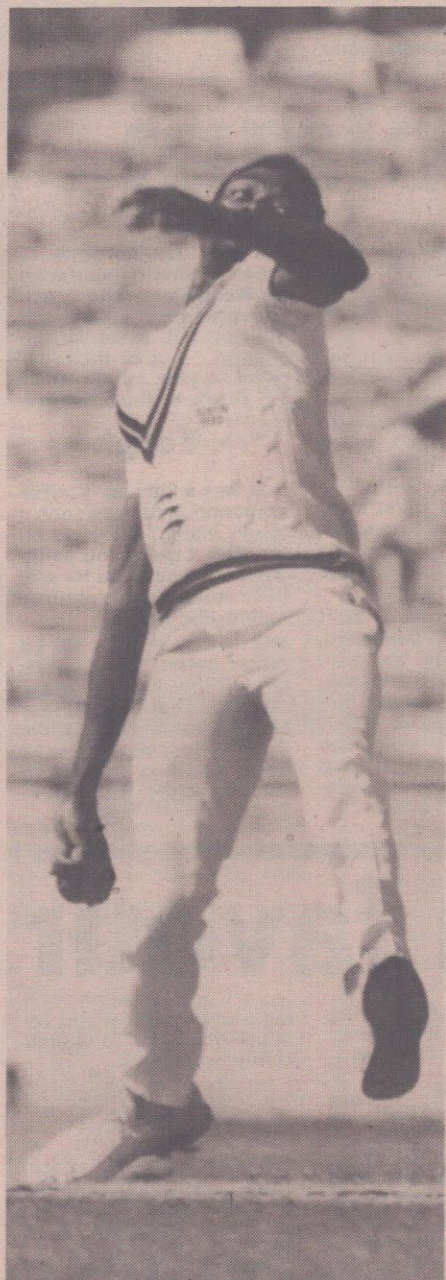
Grounds

The changes will also cover First and Second Division rugby league grounds, although not immediately, he added.

The move is likely to send shock waves through small clubs struggling to survive. Big repair and modernisation bills or restrictions on crowd numbers could cripple the poorer clubs.

Third and Fourth Division clubs will have to apply for safety certificates from their local authorities this summer.

Local authorities do not need to issue certificates immediately but they will have the power to impose temporary restrictions, including lower crowd limits and bans on the use of particular facilities at the grounds, until they have been made safe.



FAVOURITES ADVANCE

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THE FRENCH OPEN



THREE top mens seeds in action yesterday evening all moved into the third round of the French Open championships here at the Stade Roland Garros yesterday with the kind of performances that suggested they could go all the way to the final.

Yannick Noah again drew a full house to watch him play yesterday. And his fellow Frenchmen who packed the tribunes around the centre court were not disappointed as Noah entertained them with his antics — and some fine tennis to boot.

His victim yesterday was the Dutchman Michael Schapers who put up stubborn resistance but never looked like causing a shock.

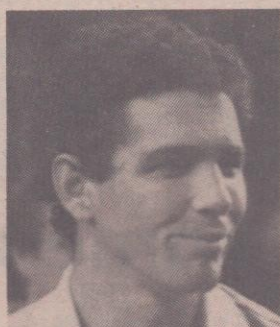
Eventually Noah won 6-1, 6-1, 6-4 playing the kind of tennis that had the Paris crowd dreaming of another Frenchman

reaching the finals here, just like he did two years ago.

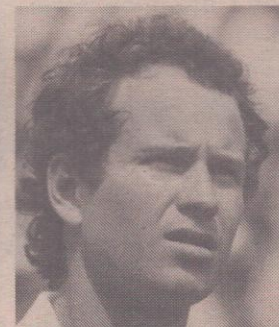
Andreas Gomez, the Ecuadorean who is seeded No.5 here, gained revenge against the Swede Kent Carlsson who defeated him here last year.

This time around there was never any doubt about the outcome of a rather one-sided match with Gomez winning 6-2, 6-4, 6-1.

John McEnroe also cruised through to the next round with a workmanlike victory over the



ANDRES GOMEZ and JOHN MCENROE both won through to the third round yesterday but ZINA GARRISON, the women's No. 5 seed was knocked out



Rumanian Florin Segarceanu, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

McEnroe, with his left thigh still heavily strapped — 'it's only a precaution' — will be happy to have got his first two matches under his belt without having to break sweat, and was looking forward to his day 'off' tomorrow.

The No.2 seed added that he found the noise, comments and shouting from the crowd off-putting and the court very dry.

Jose Luis Clerc has hit top form just at the right moment. The Argentinian, a big favourite in Paris, almost casually dealt with the threat of Brazilian Jose Ganzibal.

Clerc enjoyed himself immensely as he advanced to the next round with a 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 victory.

It will be very interesting when he meets Noah, probably on centre court tomorrow. We could, quite possibly, be in for quite a surprise when these two clash.

Emilio Sanchez, the Spaniard who sneaked into the draw on Tuesday as a lucky loser following the late withdrawal of Ilie Nastase, won again yesterday, beating the Dutchman Hans Van Boeckel in straight sets, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4. His reward — a meeting with the in-form Wilander tomorrow.

Sets

Dean Cahill, the Australian qualifier, also reached the last 32 when he defeated the American David Cassidy in straight sets 6-0, 6-1, 6-2. He now meets the No.13 seed, Tomas Smid of Czechoslovakia.

Two of the youngest seeds in Paris for some time were again in stunning form yesterday evening.

Gabriela Sabatini, the 15-year-old Argentinian who is the 14th seed, recorded her second straight sets victory, giving the American Petra Barg precious little to write home about as she won 6-0, 6-2.

Sabatini now meets another American, Anne White, who was equally impressive in beating France's Catherine Suire, 6-0, 7-6.

Stefi Graf, the 16-year-old West German No.11 seed, also won in straight sets, 6-0, 6-4 when she met Georgina Kim of the US.

Graf, who meets her compatriot Bettina Bunge in the third round on Friday, is now just one match away from a clash in the last 16 with Chris Evert-Lloyd.

Seed

American Zina Garrison became the fifth women's seed to make her exit when she was beaten in an extraordinary match by the South African Rosalyn Fairbank.

Garrison, seeded sixth, went down in the most tentative of matches, 6-7, 6-2, 13-11.

Finally, Andrea Jaeger, of whom so much has been written in recent days, made her expected exit yesterday to the No.10 seed, fellow American Bonnie Gadusek.

It took Gadusek less than an hour to put the rusty Jaeger out of her misery winning 6-1, 6-1.

Middx on top

ON A BRIGHT day at the Oval, County Championship leaders Middlesex yesterday dominated play against second-placed Surrey — their London rivals.

Neil Williams (pictured far left launching into another fast delivery) gave Surrey a devastating shock at the start.

He removed both Graham Clinton and Trevor Jesty without scoring and ran out Alan Butcher, with a lightning throw, for one. At that stage Surrey were 11 for three wickets.

Alec Stewart, son of the Surrey manager Micky, made a fighting 77 in leading a Surrey recovery and Pat Pocock (pictured left) made an uncharacteristic 41 out of a 49-run partnership in 41 deliveries.

Surrey were all out for 255, but in reply Middlesex batsman Graham Barlow and Wilf Slack hammered 148 in an unbroken stand.

Slack was 57 not out and Barlow 71 not out. It left Middlesex 107 runs in arrears with all their wickets standing at the close of play.

SUMMARIES

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire 382 for five dec (Rice 171 n.o., Johnson 118). Leicestershire 15 for no wicket.

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire 303 (Cook 126, Harper 76; Ferreira four for 81). Warwickshire 40 for one.

HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire 383 for four dec (Moxon 153, Blakey 90, Love 62 n.o.). Somerset 25 for three.

HOVE: Sussex 303 for five dec (A Wells 102, Parker 60). Glamorgan 29 for five.

