Jubilee?
What a load of rubbish! Arrogant, hypocritical rubbish in a year when living standards have been cut by 4 per cent, when hospitals are being closed ‘for lack of money’, when our children are being taught in overcrowded classrooms ‘for lack of money’, when councils have stopped building houses ‘for lack of money’.

The royal family costs as much as a new hospital every year... they’re costing millions more this jubilee year.

Don’t let them get away with it. Tell them to

STUFF THE JUBILEE!

ROLL ON THE RED REPUBLIC
My husband and I will bleed you dry

The Royal Family soak up an immense amount of resources as well as an inordinate quantity of flattery and gravelling.

The most recent version of the Queen’s wage packet, the complete pay package of the Queen of England, House of Commons Hansard on 3 February. It is revealed that the Queen’s wages declared income of £180,000 in 1973 shot up to £3.6 million in 1976. And she’s had another sub since, enabling her, like those of her subjects who are businesswomen, bankers and not just mere people, to keep pace with inflation and continue to live in the gaudy circumstances to which she is accustomed.

Bearing in mind little perks like that, the royal family costs us an estimated £515 million a year.

But the real extent of Her Majesty’s income and her private wealth is a closely guarded secret. Suffice it to say that she pays no income tax.

She doesn’t have to publish a will. So there’s no question of having to avoid death duties like all her friends. She just doesn’t pay them.

She pays no capital gains tax on investments even though she has more than Eagle Star insurance, and Harry Ford put together.

She’s the single largest shareholder in Rio Tinto Zinc. She has countless other holdings. And her personal fortune is probably one of the biggest in the world, of the order of £500 million.

Now you can do a lot of things with £500 million. You could build 100 new hospitals. You could build 100 new schools. You could give every pensioner in the land free electricity for a couple of weeks. And you could do a good deal more besides. For while sweeping away the kings and queens may no longer be a central aspect of the struggle for human emancipation, it is certainly a symbolic one.

It is symbolic of the terrible stranglehold that wealth and power have over our lives, and indeed over all the resources of the world.

If we could get rid of the captains and the kings and all the others with wealth and power who frown and cluster round them, the most amazing possibilities would open up for human beings.

Even the present quantity of wealth would, if it were equally divided, enable us to ensure that no-one went without so that those with titles and businesses could live in untold splendour.

But more even than this great new possibilities would open up. Society would be free for human beings to shape it according to their needs and not the ‘needs of the privileged few.

The pages that follow Socialist Worker unfolds some of the true story of the monarchy and of the record and statements of those who, down the years, have fought to overthrow all forms of tyranny and exploitation.

We hope you will enjoy this.

Jubilee issue and we hope it will inspire you to continue the struggle for socialism, the hope of mankind.

Judy Thomas

Queen stays alive for 25 years: triumph and now for the rest of the news.

1952
Death of George VI. Kenyan nationalists launch the Mau Mau movement to drive out the British. Nine European whites are killed; 10,000 black are murdered.

1953
Death of Joseph Stalin. Rising of the East Berlin workers against the Stalinist regime.

1954
Afric-Nationalists launch armed struggle for independence for Algeria.

1956
Nikita Khrushchev makes a secret speech to the Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. It admits some of the massive crimes committed under Stalin and denounces Stalin.

The workers of Hungary rise against the Stalinist government. Factory councils take power and drive out the Russian Army. Under Khrushchev’s orders, the Russian return and storm Budapest. Thousands die and more are arrested and shot.

The British and French invade Egypt to prevent the building of the Suez canal in alliance with the Israelis. Hundreds die before they are forced to withdraw. A massive demonstration of protest against the invasion takes place in Trafalgar Square.

1958
First Labour Government elected after the Tories’ 13 wasted years. Harold Wilson becomes Prime Minister and, armed with suitable rhetoric about the white heat of technological revolution, generates the most excitement.

1960
Shanghai South Africans police open fire on a peaceful demonstration of black workers. Sixty-one people are killed. General strike in Belgium.

1961
Civil war in the Congo.

1962
Cuba missile crisis takes the world to the verge of a nuclear catastrophe.

1963
First Labour Government elected after the Tories’ 13 wasted years. Harold Wilson becomes Prime Minister and, armed with suitable rhetoric about the white heat of technological revolution, general election.

1965
The white colonialists in Rhodesia declare independence, so as to maintain a white racist government. The Americans start bombing North Vietnam.

1966
National Front’s strike. General de Gaulle flies secretly to meet Army Generals to organise a military attack. He is supported by the French Communist Party which helps and aids the strike.

1967
The Greek government is overthrown by Army Colonels and the American CIA to kill out the left-wing opposition.

1968
The Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia.

1969
The Labour Government attempts to introduce a Place of Work Strike. Rank and file trade unions force them to withdraw. The Ulster police and the paramilitary VFI special storm the Bogside and murder eight people.

1970
Tory government is elected on a promise to ‘tax profits at a strike’. The Americans invade Cambodia and launch a massive bombing campaign.

1971
The Tories introduce Industrial Relations Bill.

1972
12,000 men in the GDR on strike. The miners strike in Britain, the miners strike in Britain, the miners strike in Britain, the miners strike in Britain.

1973
The miners strike in Britain, the miners strike in Britain, the miners strike in Britain.

1974
The miners strike in Britain.

1975
The miners strike in Britain.

1976
The miners strike in Britain.
The place our royals hold in my heart

by Eamonn McCann

I once almost saw her Majesty the Queen. It happened in 1954 when she came to Derry on her special post-coronation tour of the six counties. She didn’t actually come to the Bogside, but passed near enough for us to hear the cheering of the loyal crowds.

And being young and innocent I had half a notion to go down and get a glimpse. I’d like to be able to say that it was a budding political principle which kept me in the fair, but I cannot. It was fear of what my father might do if he heard I had been down there, swilling the crowd.

It emerged afterwards that the Unionist Government had had a special red-carpeted lavatory installed in the Guildhall for the occasion, at a cost of some thousands of pounds—presumably in case it was caught short in the middle of making somebody a Sir.

We never did find out if she had actually used the facility, which did nothing at all to prevent red-faced specialists running riot in the area for months afterwards.

Her Majesty and her husband are planning a return Jubilee visit later this month and this time I do believe attitudes will be different.

It is confidently expected that many residents of Rossville Street, particularly the younger set, will make a determined effort to get into the city centre, indeed to get as close to her as possible.

Some have expressed the hope that she will bring the entire brood with her, make a real family outing of it so that we might get a chance to toast them all together.

Looking at TV pictures of royal welcomes over the past few weeks, some of my chauvinistic neighbours, have been heard to mutter that the British are a strange tribe surely, cranky, irreligious, superstitious, living in the past.

Having freed themselves many generations ago from the idea of hereditary overlords, many Irish are hard put to understand why thousands of seemingly sensible British people go gaga at the sight of this woman.

Of course, socialists here understand that not all the British are like that, that there are many as rational as ourselves and concerned with the real problems facing the mass of the people, who realise that the British royal family is an institution of unproductive hangers-on whose name through the years unspeakable savagery has been done to countless people in conquered colonics—of which Ireland was one and the North of Ireland still is.

And who realise that the royal family today is merely the gaudy personification of those who hold that the entire population of Britain could be arranged in proper metal order, each class in its allocated place, in a straight line stretching from Waterford to Windsor.

And that anyone who thinks different is just a Jubilee mag.
The great only appear great because we are on our knees. Let us rise

CAMILLE DESMOLINS, French revolutionary

In 1842 CHARTISM, the great revolutionary movement of the British working class, presented its second monster petition to the Houses of Parliament.

That petition, while not explicitly radical, contained a tough and uncompromising attack on the great wealth of the Royal parasites soaked up.

In England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales thousands of people are dying from actual want; and your petitioners, while sensible that poverty is the great existing cause of crime, view with mingled astonishment and alarm the vast population made for the poor, the aged, and the infirm.

Your petitioners would direct the attention of your Honourable Houses to the great disparity existing between the wages of the producing millions and the salaries of those whose comparative usefulness ought to be questioned, where riches and luxury prevail amongst the rulers and poverty and starvation amongst the ruled.

Income
Your petitioners, with all due respect and loyalty, would propose the annual income of the Sovereign Majesty with that of thousands of working men of this nation: and whilst your petitioners have learned that His Majesty receives only 1000 guineas, and the sum of £164 17s. 10d., they have also ascertained that many thousands of the labourers are only in receipt of 35s. per head per day.

Your petitioners have also learned that His Royal Highness Prince Albert receives each day...£104 2s. whilst thousands exist on 3d. per head per day.

Your petitioners have with pain and regret also learned that the Archbishop of Canterbury is daily in receipt of £52 10s. 8d. whilst the thousands of the poor have to maintain their families upon an income not exceeding 2d. per day.

Riches among the rulers, poverty among the ruled.

Queen Victoria

A second brigand comes who murders by force that which was gained by violence. He disperses the first, takes him captive, kills him, and at last reigns in his place. He then sees the vanity of the original. His successors govern under a new form, they do some little good, for example, they make the people contented, they corrupt everything about them; they invent, or cause others to invent, false genealogies; they have recourse to everything to render their family sacred; the knaves of priests come to the aid of the tyrants, they teach religion for an indemnity; and this hapless ruin, this Gargantua is in a more complete ruin. The effects of Royalty have been everywhere conformable to its origin, war without, extortion within. What sense of liberty, what sentiments of justice, what probabilities of tranquility, what blessings of mankind are preserved?
HELP THESE WOMEN WIN!

ONE of the firms to join in the orgy of red, white and blue heraldry this week is the clothes firm Jaeger.

They dress top people in top people's clothing and spend a fortune telling top people all about it in the never-ending string of fashion magazines. But they also spit in the eye of the women workers who make the clothes.

While Jaeger celebrates a rich royal 25 years of performing, 600 of its women workers in Scotland are in their 5th week of a strike to get equal pay and a living wage.

The shop is in the Chester chapel in London, that we make, some priced at £750 in 1947, started at £15. 50 years ago I can afford to go to shops like that every day.

There are words of racism and terrorism were spoken by a woman striker from the Larid Portich factory in East Midlands. She both makes the clothes that sell in Jaeger's shops, though she never could afford to wear one.

Before the strike started she was paid less than £90 a week.

Said she:

"Help Apex to end slave labour at Grunwicks"

MRS DESAI, treasurer of the Grunwicks Strike Committee, was arrested for allegedly assaulting, manager Malcolm Aden (right), Aiden at the site of the alleged assault. Picture: Andrew Waid (Reported).

Help Apex to end slave labour at Grunwicks.

WHAT WE NEED TO DO:

1. Visit all Coats-Paron subsidiaries in the United States and demand that the strike be met.
2. Organise pickets at the factories where Paron products are made.
3. Contact local councils and demand they support the workers.
4. Write to the local press and demand they support the workers.
5. Support the strike financially by sending money to the strike fund.

MSS PICKET OF GRUNWICKS

Monday 13 June, 7.15am, assembly next to Dollis Hill Underground station, North West London.

THE FIGHT FOR EQUAL PAY

Speakers: Ellen Nicklin (Labour Party candidate), John Deacon (Secretary), Right To Work Campaigners, Margaret Portich (Speaker, Women's Voice)

Tuesday 14 June, 7.30pm-8.30pm, City Hall, London.

Socialist Worker/Altham's Voice Rally

The fight for equal pay.

If none of these are near you, the chances are you will be in shop or two within striking distance.

Donations and messages of support to the strikers/c/ Ellen Nicklin, 30 Gower Road, London NW4, London NW4.
SECRETS CHARGES: MI5 ups the stakes

BRITAIN'S security services are stepping up their own opposition and exposure now that they have succeeded in driving journalist and ex-AVCI agent Philip Agee out of Britain... And after his arrest, the charges against former MI5 officer John Berry and journalists Duncan Campbell and Crown Aubrey...

Charged

Aubrey is now charged under Section 7 of the Act with aiding and abetting the other. The security services have upset the Labour government considerably. All three men were arrested tonight, 10 years since the Government's 1977 leak scandal...

Information given to security services has been used in the case. It was clear that the security services are in the Act... and that the Labour government has taken the case seriously... The only way these three men will be successfully defended is if the mother and father of a defendant are able to launch a charge... to support the people... as a result of mass protest.

DOCKERS' BACK ANTI-FASCISTS

DOCKERS' shop stewards from all over the country have given strong backing to London dockers Michael Fray, who is soon to face trial following a fight with National Front fascists. The National Front shop stewards Committee issued a statement at their meeting in Birmingham last Saturday that they would not allow a weakness of support to Michael before his trial at the Old Bailey on 13 June. He is charged jointly with Norman Rights, Centre lawmaker Roger Burges... and Frazier... to join the National Front on 13 June...

ANOTHER LABOUR PARTY FALLING APART

by EAMONN McCANN

AS THE Irish general election campaign gets under way, the Labour Party has started falling apart at the seams. Polling day is 14 June. It is likely that the leader of a number of provincial Labour units will be seeking new jobs.

At the moment Labour has 40 years, Fosse Ged and the opposition to the Tuccas... as well as the last election they have carried out a cynical number of constituencies of which there was no lead over Fosse Ged. Munster on economic issues Fosse Ged is in the classic... to such a successful conclusion as the summer of 1972...

Nationalists baying for Labour's blood

THE Scottish National Party held its annual conference in Dundee last week. A new candidate, SNP, flanked with its success in the recent local council elections, they're out for Labour's blood.

Now, after the elections and one of the SNP's proposals, the SNP are moving in for the kill on the political party that has been their target... So it seems likely that when the local election decisions are made the SNP will take a majority of Scottish seats, with Labour losing their stronghold and their overall majority in the Westminster parliament.

The SNP's policy may now be to consider their main aim is the taking of Westminster seats, and two of the SNP's top figures are planning a major campaign to win the Westminster seats. The SNP's policy may now be to consider their main aim is the taking of Westminster seats, and two of the SNP's top figures are planning a major campaign to win the Westminster seats...
JUBILEE? WHAT HAVE THESE TEENAGERS GOT TO CELEBRATE?

1 in 2 will be jobless this year

WHAT WE THINK

CHEERS FOR THE QUEEN
THE DOLE FOR US?

How to fight back against the insanity that throws school-leavers like these, straight on the dole: one of 100,000 leaflets organizing for a Right to Work March on the Trades Union Congress. The next two weeks is the time to apply for school-leavers, before the deadly friction and boredom of the dole sets in. The right to work is so important that they risk their lives to protect it.

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Meanwhile, the government and trade union leaders are planning plans for a new wave of productivity deals—deals that will destroy jobs and cut the number of young people in industry will take on. According to the Minister of Unemployment, Albert Booth, the figure by the end of the year could be two million. These figures should be on the conscience of every trade unionist.

They are the victims of the social contract just as much as the worker who has seen the buying power of his or her wage packet fall by a fifth.

THE RIGHT TO WORK CAMPAIGN is launching a massive effort to reach the unregistered school-leavers. The aim is to organize the action against unemployment in their towns and for a massive protest march in Blackpool on 7 September.

Every secondary school, Youth Employment Centre, Social Security Office, Youth Club Park, Community Centre, Jobs Centre as well as the dole offices should be leafleted in the next few weeks. Thousands of school-leavers will be taking their English exams in the next ten days. This last time many of them go to school. Join this massive effort to carry on the fight against unemployment and the Social Contract and to support Right to Work.

Leaftlets, posters, speakers, addresses of leaders to Work Committees, from the National Right to Work Campaign, 255a Seven Sisters Rd., London N4. NO POSTAGE NEEDED.
The workers in blue…

By Murray Armstrong

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A tyrant, thanks to our rulers

What's going on in Angola?

In these struggles the MPLA relied upon all sectors of the population for support. The fighting was between supporters of the president, Josip Tito, and the loyalist forces of the Angolan government.

Discontent

The MPLA leadership, both in the movement and in the army, is not allowed to question the policies of the MPLA. The fighting was between supporters of the president, Josip Tito, and the loyalist forces of the Angolan government.

MINERS TORTURED

The Comrade Hoes of the Communist Party who speaks in this article has been tortured and imprisoned. He has been subjected to a series of cruel and inhuman tortures, including electric shocks, beatings, and waterboarding. He has been denied medical treatment and has been forced to undergo inhumane conditions. His family members have also been subjected to harassment and intimidation. The Comrade Hoes is a brave fighter for socialism and the liberation of the working class. We stand in solidarity with him and all workers who are fighting for freedom and justice.

The struggle continues:

Victory to the freedom fighters - Black workers to power!

Speaker: Paul Soro

 bystanders, demonstrating against Amin. An irate Health minister, who said he had never heard of any doctors working in M'Baka, was also targeted.

The situation in Angola is deteriorating rapidly. The MPLA is facing severe challenges from various opposition groups, including the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) and the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA). The MPLA is also facing internal divisions and conflicts within its ranks.

Southern Africa: Strength to the freedom fighters - Black workers to power!
Licensed to kill—by who?

Andy Milner Reports from Australia, the Latest Country to Find the CIA Breaking Cover

The last few years have been a hard time for the CIA. What with Philip Agee's CIA Diary, Senate investigations, and a concerted international campaign of exposing CIA agents, the world is no longer quite so safe a place for American spies as it used to be.

But now, at long last, the international storm has finally broken here in Australia—a country that must surely rank as one of America's most loyal allies.

It all began when Charles Brey, the ex-CIA agent charged with receiving and passing secret information to the Russians, started to drop hints about the CIA operations in Australia.

A steady stream of inside information has since trickled into the hands of the American and Australian press.

Now even Labor Party leader Gough Whitlam is demanding a governmental inquiry into the whole matter. What's more, the British government has been informed of the entire situation.

The public is one thing the Labor Party leadership is another. But the Labor Party has always been closely identified with nationalism and even racism in this country. The labor leader, John Gorton, now sophisticated by the immorality of two Wars and a White Australia policy with the immortal words "Two Wongs don't make a White".

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beautiful
body angry

The police launched a similar
 operation of the Carnib Club in
 North West London, two years
go.

The same incidents are
repeated time and again. Eight
black youths aged between 14
and 19 are now on trial at the
Old Bailey. They were arrested
for the police stormed and
raked last year's Notting Hill
Carnival.

If found guilty - they are
busted of theft and con-
spiracy to commit theft, they
get long prison sentences.

These incidents are more
and more common. If you are black
and young in London or Birm-

In the London borough of
Brent, two out of three young
blacks are without work.

With unemployment, goes
police harassment, constant
searches, arrests and frame-
ups.

But black people in this coun-
try are slowly realising their
power. The youth threw down
the gauntlet to the police in
Notting Hill last summer.

It was the first time they had
fought back. The police, the
press, the lawyers and the
judge know this only too well.

Indeed, the Old Bailey trial is
only the Battle at the Carnival
in another form. In this setting,
however, the dice are heavily
loaded against the youth.

Black people alone are not
going to beat the police, even
on the streets. Their numbers
are too small.

They have greater power,
which is even less realised. It is
about today's street kids
becoming tomorrow's factory
agitators. It is about conscious-
ly directing hatred of the police
and the white man's Law at the
owners of wealth and property.

It is a combination that is
truly dynamic. A combination
that really could blow sky-high
this racist system.

There is no other way...
TIME TO STOP THE UNION CON-MEN

AFTER two years of the Social Contract here is the reality—hundreds of thousands of workers are employed and more to come, continuing rising prices and under used industrial capacity.

The men-con men have now at the last minute Department of Employment of new union, the Transport and General Workers' Union. Two years ago we were encouraged to except one year. That's because of the Social Contract, and the swindler 16 per year tax supplement to income.

Some men have been taking out two male workers, overemployment and inflation. That's because of the Social Contract, and the swindler 16 per year tax supplement to income.

We want to say to the two men, who have been taking out two male workers, overemployment and inflation. That's because of the Social Contract, and the swindler 16 per year tax supplement to income.

Victory

Enough is enough. It is time for the I. R. to stop at once. The I. R. has the power, the training and the resources to stop the massive, endless, self-interested collective organizing.

We sincerely congratulate the Brotherhood and all the men on their tremendous vote and impact on the massive, endless, self-interested collective organizing.

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RAISE FUNDS INSTANTLY

A guaranteed £15 per £4 today. Our pocket-book fund will raise quickly the much needed funds for your local Right to Work Campaign rank and file trade union organization.

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POSTAL POINTS

When you have an interesting, challenging political discussion with friends then throw in this point: We need this country to be a welfare state.

THREE'S ONE BORN EVERY MINUTE

LATE September. When I marched on the anti-political demonstration in Blackpool, I found myself in a particular fool's paradise. I had no idea what this country would be like a few years ago.

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Don't mistake the SNP

I'M NEARLY 10, an old age pensioner. I vote SNP. If you value this country, please do the same. It is not easy to do the right thing all the time, but why should it be?

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Defeat

All select when writing of the SNP and the SNP's developing countries. Made for a country the SNP has lost so much of what the SNP has already been described as a country of 100,000,000 people in the world.

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Trico turn to apartheid for help

IT IS just eight months since the Trico workers won their equal pay claim at their new Wigan Trico-Merke factory. But what about the thousands of workers who have been the victims of this source of cheap labour?

Here at Vauxhall we have found out. They have used their initiative and "enterprise" to find new workers to replace the Trico workers.

Low-paid black workers in an apartheid state produce products for the benefit of this country. They have been the victims of this source of cheap labour. They have been forced to live in a country where the apartheid state produces products for the benefit of this country. They have been forced to live in a country where the apartheid state produces products for the benefit of this country.

They call this a welfare state...

WHEN I was 15 I was chosen in the hands of the local authority up to the age of 18. My crime: playing truant from school for three months.

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Political prisoners held in US 25 years

IN YOUR article opposing Carter's farcical uses of arms when there was no mention was made of the 24 political prisoners held in jails in the western homelands.

They include 10 political prisoners held in Puerto Rico and 14 political prisoners held in South Africa.

The free world should be embarrassed by the fact that the political prisoners held in US jails for over 25 years.

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Michael Cooper, Hull.

FRANK JENN REVIEWS A GREAT SOCIALIST NOVEL

FRANK JENN reviews a great socialist novel

**The Human Hell-Hole Called the East End**

By Jack Jenn

**September 1977**

In 1902, a wealthy American in London exchanged his grey travelling suit for some well-worn trousers, a frayed jacket, and a raggéd pair of brogues.

He was no longer the well-heeled visitor. For a while, he became an out-of-work seafarer, one of the people, and he took his chances along with the rest.

The man was Jack London. Seeking shelter in the downtown, his food in coffee shops, and forgiveness when he could get it, he became part of the City of Degradation.

**Rotten**

As the end of seven weeks, he had produced *The People of the Abyss*, a work so aggressively vivid journalistic style it often causes offense, but by harrowing insight into drudgery, hunger, and squalor, it exposed the rotten depths of a rotten society.

Born in San Francisco 25 years earlier, Jack grew up in poverty. He had never known childhood. Having to work every opportunity to put food on the table.

After joining a march across the States for labour rights, he took off the mainland and distant islands, where he joined the Socialist Labour Party.

**Inequality**

His writings brought huge sums of money but he constantly lived beyond his means. At 40, his health broken by alcohol addiction, he died in 1916.

**Hell Hole**

When Jack London visited in 1902, he was shocked to find that the people of the East End were living in a condition of poverty.

While members of the socialist middle class in England denied they could ever imagine living in such poverty, Jack began to write about the East End.

Jack found the East End saturated with people. Whole families, men, women, children, and their possessions, were crowded into small rooms. Even the women’s facilities of sanitation were inadequate. Triviality was impossible.

If the rent was to be paid, each family found themselves forced to take in lodgers. In those degrading and unhealthy conditions working people, perhaps one grandparent, carried on some kind of existence.

Jack sees the unfortunate and inferior, the terror of poverty and death.

**Degrading**

Families and their children were forced to live in sub-human conditions.

Jack describes the hard life of the workers in the East End.

**Shambles**

Racism and prejudice against the poor was one of the main causes of the poverty in the East End.

**Violence**

A dealer of slums said: "We have to fight for our lives."

**Shambles**

A man said: "This is our only way of life."
You're sacked—ten minutes ago

By Jim Fagan

NUPRE shop steward

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PORT TALBOT CALL FOR SOLIDARITY

PORT TALBOT: Who said steelworkers had no sense of humour? At last week's frontreign negotiations in London, the Port Talbot steelworkers' strike leaders were treated with a little banter.

While the talks were in progress, Ben Bevan and Bill Curtis were kept in an amusing mood by the sound of door handles being removed from their offices.

THE employers had also taken to the telephone by steppings in and snatching calls. John Wilkes, Truska steelworker and secretary of the new Unilever Steel Workers' Union, was particularly forthright.

"The management want big, ginger and transfer steelworkers," he said, "and if we throw them out of the last plant, leaving them free to work in the new one, they'll certainly have fought for decent conditions.

Since the job has started, steelworkers have been able to have a punch-up, a go-up, a go-down against a break in the West plant in the same area, recognising the UB or the British Steelworkers' Union.

Full-time officers Frank Groves of the TGWU and Paull Hopper (LEAT) have played a part in the talks, a fact which has been noted in the negotiations at Ferranti and elsewhere.

In the same way, a meeting was held in London by the TGWU to discuss the current situation and the possibility of a nationwide strike.

Cleaners sold out

CHLORIDE workers from Dagenham and Manchester discussed irregularities and 6000 cleaners protecting their company's premises from firemen.

They phoned the building in Granville Gardens, Central London, both plants being occupied in defence of their right to negotiate wages and conditions. The dispute was made official by the TGWU.

Gibraltar: sell-out by CPSA leaders

FOR EIGHT months, 350 civil servants in Gibraltar, employed by the Ministry of Defence, have been locked out.

They have been subjected to various harassment, mass arrests of 100 of their members, and constant rbbery by higher grades flown over from Britain.

The Civil and Public Service Association conference forced a one-day solidarity stoppage.

Two days before it was due to start, 300 of them were flown to the island under the protection of the Royal Navy. Although the CPSA was willing to accept the offer of a new contract, the union leadership refused to go on strike.

On 26 May, the CPSA London office was occupied by rank and file members angry at the sell-out.

The strike committee was involved in a mass demonstration, and a meeting of the General Council was held to discuss the situation.

The strike continued and the CPSA was forced to accept the new contract, which was signed by the government.

CHILDREN of the 26th, 27th, and 28th classes from the Inner London Education Authority were taken to the leisure centre to enjoy a day out. The children were taken on a tour of the centre, where they were shown the various facilities available.

The centre provides a wide range of activities for children, including swimming, sports, and entertainment. The children were happy to spend the day playing and exploring the centre.

LAUNDRY BATTLE FOR JOBS

LEEDS: Ten NUPE cleaners at the House of Commons in London are on strike in protest at the loss of their jobs.

The cleaners, who have been working for the National Union of Public Employees, were dismissed after a dispute over pension rights.

Shop steward Margaret Keeling told Socialist Worker: "We have nothing but sympathy for the cleaners. They have fought for their jobs, and we support them in their fight to keep their jobs.

The decision of the management to dismiss the cleaners was not taken lightly. The cleaners have been working for the House of Commons for many years, and their service has been highly valued by the staff.

The decision to dismiss the cleaners has been met with considerable concern, and the NUPE union is pressing for their reinstatement.

SUPPORT National theatre pickup

LONDON: Ralph Cooper, the manager of the National Theatre, has sent a letter to the NUPE union asking for support in their fight against the closure of the theatre.

In a letter to the NUPE union, Cooper stated: "We have been asked by the Government to close the National Theatre on Tuesday afternoon.

"The theatre has been operating at a loss for the past year, and we are unable to continue the operations without financial support.

"We are asking for your support to help us keep the theatre open and continue our work.

"Thank you for your support and we look forward to working together to ensure the future of the National Theatre."
DON'T LET THE NORTH EAST DIE!

T DAN SMITH once promised to make Newcastle "the Venice of the North." He has just been released from jail in time to see his dream come true.

Like Venice we're sinking fast. 35,000 young people will be turned out of the schools in the next few weeks—and for at least half of them it will be to the dole.

In the past four weeks 1,500 workers have been given their cards. Another 10,000 jobs are under threat in the next three months.

The North East has grown accustomed to unemployment, but what is happening now is on a scale not seen since the 1930's. The heart of the industrial North, our shipbuilding and heavy engineering industries, are being destroyed, and nothing new is coming in to replace it.

When Burtons took over Jacksons the tailors there were five factories. Soon there will be only one left. When they closed the Gateshead factory two months ago they assured the 1,500 workers in Sunderland that their jobs were safe.

Last week it became clear that most of them, mainly women, will be going too. For Sunderland that spells the ultimate disaster. 2,000 jobs have been lost at Plessey's already this year and the Jacksons closure will mean that Sunderland, already the worst blackspot, becomes a jobs desert.

This savagery calls for a massive fightback. Workers at CA Parsons in Newcastle have taken the lead. They have called a half-day stoppage and demonstration throughout Tyneside this Friday. No firm is too small. Workers in every factory are being joined in the struggle.

FIGHT FOR EVERY JOB!

JACKSONS. From five factories to one.

IT'S DOWN TO US NOW

THE North East has traditionally relied on heavy engineering. It is these industries which are now fighting for survival.

Shipbuilding has been in decline since 1938, when we had 43 per cent of world output. Today we have only 3 per cent.

There are 35,000 workers in shipbuilding, ship repair and marine engineering in the North East. 10,000 of us could lose our jobs in the next two years.

Shipbuilding and marine engineering are to be nationalised on 1 July, but we aren't too optimistic, considering the history of nationalisation, with its record of nationalisation followed by massive redundancies.

We realise that nationalisation under capitalism is used to prop up private enterprise and not to gain socialist control over the economy.

We aren't getting any leadership from the TUC. It is essential to build a rank and file movement to defend jobs and to explain to workers who are offered redundancy payments that they are going on the dole on a permanent basis.

They are not only giving up their own jobs but also that of the young people of the North East, who already face a desperate situation.

WE HAVE called the stoppages and demonstration at the beginning of a campaign. The North East is taking a hammering. Nobody has fought back yet and it's time somebody did. That's why we are taking up the banner.

The theme of the demonstration and campaign will be Don't let the North East Die! Because that is what it is at stake.

It's not just our jobs at Parsons, Plesseys and Jacksons are already down and in the next few months the shipbuilding industry, the heart of the North East, will be under attack.

The future for young people in particular is black.

We will be calling for a conference of shipworkers in the region following the demonstration. The fact that we have taken up the fight and called the demonstration means that the stews will come and the possibility of a real united fight will be on the agenda.

We also have a major fight on our hands to protect all the jobs in our area from the Tories, new industry and Blackley. We have the opportunity to build a rank and file movement of shipworkers, 6,000 in total, and redundancy payments will have to go just for starters.

We need to argue a united case for full nationalisation under workers' control, with guarantees for every job and a development programme for the industry involving new initiatives and new technology.

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CALLING ALL TYNESIDE STEWARDS...

PARSONS workers marching in protest last month.

Plessey workers setting up a demonstration.
The thinker and the worker are mankind's only kings

JAMES CONNOLLY was a leader of the 1916 Easter rising, executed by British government.

HER MAJESTY probably has at least one of her many hundreds of sitting rooms designed by William Morris wallpaper.

For today William Morris designs are not quite so rare. The reason is not surprising since his designs are beautiful. But many of his upper class admirers do not know, or do not want to know, that William Morris was a committed republican socialist and revolutionary.

At the time of the 1878 Jubilee for Queen Victoria, Morris and his comrades in the Socialist League went out of their way to oppose and dignify this particular display of hypocrisy.


The Jubilee of 1878 may be taken as the inauguration of the modern concept of royalty. Although the Republican sentiment of the early 1870s had long subsided as an effective political force, it was still alive among the Radicals, and among the people generally incited towards royalty was the rule.

Symbol

Now the stage-managers of the monarchy cast the Queen for the three roles which she and her successors have played ever since. First, the Crown was to serve as a symbol of imperial, or seriously, it was Dusek who had his ideas in 1876, when he proclaimed the Queen of India. But 1879 was a huge Jubilee in good earnest. Maharajahs and African chiefs were paraded in streets as at a Roman triumph. As a climax to the imperial celebrations, no less than 22,000 prisoners in Indian jails were released of the foregoing movement in many towns stood as a mark against the mass-produced systems.

The Communist internationally protested the events. At a public meeting in London "Her Majesty's name was received with groans and blushes." The North Town Council refused to pay for celebrations. The Carmathen Trades Council refused "to do anything in the shape of service Rendered by a well-paid servant of the State."

Decay

Ridding the world of tyranny and exploitation has always been an international struggle. Events in China and Japan have always inspired workers in other countries.

The great revolution in Russia in 1917 was like a beacon to the radical ranked mankind. In February, the landed farmers met and a republic was set up. Then, in October, the workers themselves seized power.

This great revolution, drawn by V. Delev in 1920, beautifully expresses what the struggle was all about. This is the great Russian revolution victory in Lenin sweeping away capitalist exploitation, the autocracy, the banks, the industrialists, the bourgeoisie, the feudalism, the serfdom, and the last of all the exploiters, the tsar.

Pick-pocketing on a grand scale...

T. A. (TOMMY) Jackson was one of the best writers of the early Communist Party in Britain produced. He wrote the fine book Ireland Her Own.

For the 1937 Jubilee he wrote a pamphlet. The Jubilee and How, which, in between some very patchy writing, contains a few gems.

To hold a job in a competitive market is a quest of a century. It is nowadays, no small feat. And although the price of King George himself and all his family find the occasion one for rejoicing.

After all, seeing that the Kaiser of both Germany and Austria, the Tsar of Russia, the Sultan of Turkey, the Emperor of China, and the kings of Bulgaria, Greece, Spain and Portugal have all had train offices abolished (so anything of the forced abdication of the Shah of Persia, the King of Siam, and some of the other monarchs) during the past twenty years, no one could hold that not be impressive to find King still on the throne in Britain, who is still able to style himself Emperor of India.

Emperors

[It is — Apart from the "emperor" of Alveon, there isn't an emperor, and the Shah of Persia, who doesn't count, the emperors of India and Japan are the only emperors now left in the world].

If the royalistic hallucination, which reaches a climax in Jubilee celebrations, is neither the invention of the press, nor the spontaneous expression of an incorruptible lockstep instinct in the British people, what is it? As we have seen it is simply — propaganda—but for what?

Not for royalism in itself — though that is its surpassing form of appearance. Part of the working people's attention that the Crown in Britain (and with it the whole of the Royal Family) is so completely and unchallengeable.

The Royal Family and the Crown are in Law and Constitution that in Britain the possibility even of the King or the Court, entertaining even a wiffy — contrary to the declared will of the people — an evidenced in the last General Election — is ruled out from the very start.

This that the whole office and representation of the Crown is now a purely decorative function which is without any economic or social value, is a vigorously organized function which provides a perfect command of the people are being bribed. With their eyes fixed on the gilded coach of the Lord Mayor the oblique, the throne is and is an obedient, the Government of the people.

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BUILD THE SOCIALIST ALTERNATIVE!

Socialist Worker public meetings


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EVENTS ORGANISED BY THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

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Jubilee Mugs

THE ROYAL Family is supposed to be a symbol of patriotism. In times of crisis for the established order, they are called on to represent 'the Union'.

During the Second World War the Duke of Windsor had contacts with the Nazi regime in Germany. The Duke had been living in France for more than 20 years before the war, but was forced to abdicate and flee to exile for trying to marry a woman who was both divorced and an American.

Documents from the German Foreign Ministry, captured after the war, reveal that in 1940 after the fall of France the Duke of Windsor had a number of discussions with Portuguese and Spanish fascists in Madrid and Lisbon. The fascists were negotiating on behalf of the Nazi government.

The Spanish Foreign Minister reported to the Nazi that the Duke 'is a firm supporter of a possible arrangement with Germany. The Duke believes that continued severe bombing would make England 'ready for peace'. A little later the Duke talked with the leadership of the Spanish fascists, the Falange. The Duke reported back to Berlin that 'The Duke was considering making a public statement disavowing present English policy and breaking with his brother'.

In Berlin Hitler was busy preparing a list of members of the British ruling class who were pro-Nazi and would possibly be prepared to collaborate with the Nazis after a successful invasion. At the same time in Nazi Germany was drawing up a list of socialists, communists and trade unionists, Jews and others who had been preparing to exterminate once they landed in Britain.

At the top of the first list of King of the Collaborators government, the Nazis planned to put the Duke of Windsor.

FOOTNOTE: Cabinet documents for the war have now been released to the public. But a few were held back, including all the documents relating to discussions about the Duke of Windsor.

THE world's richest pensioner, the Queen Mother, is billed as everybody's favourite grumpy. But behind the stern smile there's the softer side to the old lady's character.

She is also a supporter of mass murder. She was reported as saying that Ian Smith is doing a great job in Rhodesia.

Royal fingers in the till

AMID all the terrifying news built up about the monarchy, it's worth recalling what Times correspondent about George IV on his death in 1830. "There was an individual less regarded by his fellow countrymen, than the Duke of Windsor. What eye has wept for him? What heart has traced one sob of insensibility over his name?"

This is not because other's gained more upon the English tastes and expressions of his subjects by the blunt and shrewd manner in which he conducted himself. It was because he had no such oversights as these.

Fifty years ago, when the Duke of Windsor was a schoolboy, most despicable, vaunting and inferior part of the by no means clearly defined theme of the times.

Jubilee—or else!

SIXTY pupils at Lowfield Secondary School in York have been sent home from school because they haven't raised any money for the Queen's Jubilee Appeal. The 16 and 16-year-old boys were busy sweating for their GCSE exams. At the same time headmaster John Lyra expected them to wash cars, dig gardens and develop drives to raise money for the Jubilee.

They are not being allowed back to school until they return with the money! This proves once again that Britain is a free country.

THE SLOGAN SIMPLY SAYS 'STUFF CORGIS!' THERE's a lot of things that socialists can do about the Jubilee. But the key is: Don't be a kid. Add to the fun.

We're for street parties, but we're also for pointing out that we must live up to the ideals of society if we only get to have them every 28 years.

And do we really need a bunch of royal appearances if we're to enjoy ourselves? If we were without them and all the other would do is celebrate and kings and princes we could take our streets conditions and towns and enjoy ourselves of the day.

So take a tip from Progressive Socialist Workers Party have your street party.

25th anniversary of the death of George VI.

FINSBURY PARK tube station in north London, sports one of the funniest spray-painted anti-Jubilee slogans. It says 'Hope that Corigs are open'.

ANOTHER slogan spotted on the London Underground: 'Give the Queen, but he doesn't say: 'Come back Cromwell'.

MANY towns, particularly in the North, are holding Jubilee parties. It's important that the Jubilee is going to get a surprise—'the Royal Fight to Work Campaign has applied for a protest at the Leicester Town Hall, which is due to be held on September 11th.

What will the slogans be, we wonder?

QUEEN TRUTH OR KING CHARLES?

"You may not know it, but half those writers who tried to bore you with anti-republican rubbish really wanted him to be a king."

One of the country's leading socialist writers, John Cornford, wrote: 'Since he's claiming to be a king, I want to know what he stands for."

"The Duke of Leeds was impressed for a bribe of £5000 for the cooperation of the East India Company against the British East India Company. But the British Government has to say that the cooperation of the East India Company was under the threat of punishment."

The Duke of Leeds was for a bribe of £5000 and the viciousness of King himself consisted of being received having received £10,000. More recently the socialist historian Christopher Hill has shown that Charles I's agreement to Catherine of Braganza in Portugal was virtually a condition of his renunciation for the throne.

With Catherine came money and more and more and more to carry the gun in India, the slave trade with Portuguese and Flemish in West Africa, and with Spain—brandy and sugar and gold.

So early as 1963 it appeared from parliamentary inquiries that the annual expenditure of the East India Company was under the threat of punishment."

"I did not insult our father, as was pretended," he wrote later. I only preferred Queen Truth to King Charles."

Jonathan Swift also added a note: 'If it's king, we can do no wrong. If it's queen, we can do wrong. And if a king can do wrong why are the plagues we are constantly armies that he wants?"

Either way we should stand self-deluded, and if we are not set down as a nation of sycophants we must think ourselves pretty easy under the appellation of fool."

But John Trenchard, the great early 18th century agitator best summed up the whole marvellous tradition when he drew the from the top of the pint of beer and said: 'So would I treat all kings'.

The brick that says it all: Queen Cuts the Wages. A fairer corig was based on the rights of our beloved Queen every morning.

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