KEEP NAZIS OUT OF STOCKPORT!

The Nazi Front, defeated in Hyde, are now attempting to march through another part of the Manchester area this Saturday.

JOIN US IN RESISTING THEM.

& Assemble Stockport Town Hall, Wellington Road South, 12 midday, this Saturday 8 October.
(SWP branches in north, north-west and north of Birmingham to attend)

They’re taking the food out of our mouths

says Beryl Womack

ARE Mr and Mrs Denis Healey worrying about where the money’s going to come from to buy new winter shoes for the children?

But Beryl and Steven Womack are worrying about all these things.

The Womacks are a working-class family from Sheffield. Thanks to the Callahans and Healey of the world their lives are becoming unaffordable. They just can’t manage to feed themselves and their four children any more.

Beryl told Socialist Worker what she thought about the 10 per cent wage rise. She’s a bus driver and her husband, Dennis Healey, fresh from completing the purchase of a new £5,000 house, has committed to the Labour Party Conference for people like ourselves.

The rise in the cost of living is taking food out of the children’s mouths.

“A 10 per cent rise in wages is useless. It would mean about £4. That’s up to just the end in savings and rent.

“His last day is Monday 40 per week on early shift, which means he leaves the house at 4am and doesn’t get back until 3pm, he brings home £45.

“Their bills are: school dinners £3 75, milk £2 50, rent and rates £10, food £29, gas and electricity £8, and order for payments for clothes for the kids £2. And all that comes to £90 25.

“That means Steve is forced to work an average of 60 hours a week just to keep going.

HOW THE WAGE CONTROLS HIT ONE FAMILY

I have to make most of the kids’ clothes or she would have to go round in rags. So now they all need new shoes for the winter and they’re having to wear their summer sandals.

“There’s nothing left in my purse as it is by Tuesday and Steve doesn’t get paid till Thursday.

Normal

“We rarely get a proper Sunday dinner. We just have to have sausages and beans.

“The last we used to put a bit of money in the bank for going out or for Christmas, but there’s nothing in it now.

“A couple of years ago we could live quite comfortably. Now it’s just impossible. We can’t live a normal married life, because the wages are so low and the hours are ridiculous.

“Steve’s a shop steward, and I used to object because of the time involved. The trade union doesn’t provide for women at all.

“I would like to know what was going. If the wages were involved, there wouldn’t be so many rows at home.

“I understand now that it’s only by fighting for better conditions that we can end in the end have more time together. I think it would be great to get the wives down on the picket line.

“We can’t afford the strikes. But it’s got to be done.

The strikes are a series of one-day stoppages by busworkers in South Yorkshire. The second was this Tuesday.

“They are claiming a 15 per cent wage rise, to be paid now, with £218 for one-man bus operators plus four weeks’ holiday.

“They want that £15—and for one simple reason—like tens of thousands of other workers, THEY NEED IT NOW.

Don’t you?
Keep the Nazis out of Hemel!

THE prospect of a National Front meeting in Hemel Hempstead is being met with a great counter-campaign. Within 48 hours of the NF announcing their meeting to be held on 11 October, the local SWP had printed 16,000 leaflets calling for a counter-picket and exposing the NF as Nazis. The call out so directly in the firing line—but not from the NF—is the NF. The local Liberal Council was the first to organise an immediate attack, denouncing the NF as fascist and racist. Certainly we support the intervention of Jews, blacks and others against the NF, and exposing nothing but his own ignorance and stupidity. But others used this as an excuse to join the handwriting—namely the secretary of the Hemel Hempstead Centrist Comm, Commissary member Bernard Rubin, who attacked the SWP and the anti-Nazis.

Abortion: This is Britain's blackspot

BIRMINGHAM is Britain's abortion blackspot. However desperate a woman may be, unfortunately there is no way of getting an abortion unless she is legally able to do so.

No fewer than 94 per cent of the abortionists who have abortions in the city have, somehow, managed to get money from the state. Perhaps the situation has changed with the money for a private operation. But the rich and the poor, the rich and the poor, the poor and the rich.

This is why the National Front campaign has chosen Birmingham as the site of its next national demonstration, on Saturday 29 October. "We Support the Front and we should work for the demonstration by:"

- Distributing leaflets among nurses and hospital workers. But this is not easy, because consultants refuse to carry out the job.
- Leafleting places where the National Front is already well represented. Special SPUC is already organizing, making a Conference on SPUC to debate abortion today.
- Leaflets and posters for the demonstration at the Women's Department, 6 Court before 5pm. The National Front leaflets £2.50 per 1,000. Price £1.50 per 1,000.
- No return to barefoot street march. Not a way to gain a demand. Demonstrate on Saturday 29 October at 1.30pm, Victoria Square (Town Hall), Birmingham.

Eager Beavers

The companies that love the social contract

Shareholders' £3.5 million bonus

by Seymour Prophlet

Our bag in the boardroom

August 11 this year was a banner day for the SWP shareholders of Clayton Dancer, who are kept fit by the labours of the company's 4,500 workers.

That day it was the day of the day that the firm's board, ex-Tory minister Lord Orr-Ewing—whose management does not hold four directorships at the same time. The event was its first public meeting of the firm's annual general meeting on 11 February, which was held with high regard by the board at the same time.

The joint tidings of Lord Orr-Ewing and his friends were of a £5 million bonus for shareholders. American Standard—who, like Clayton Dancer, are one of the largest and most valuable of all the companies—declared a $5.5 million profit in 1975, which was paid out to shareholders on 11 February. Clayton Dancer, which has a market cap of £500 million, had a share price of £500 million. The shares were bought in the market at £500 per share on 11 February and then sold at £1,200 per share.

But the directors have a lot more at stake. The board of the company, which is controlled by the shareholders, has been offered a £1 million option to buy the firm for £1 million. If the board of directors accepts the offer, the directors will receive £1 million. If the board of directors rejects the offer, the directors will keep the £1 million.

Front banned

The Tory-controlled council in Hemel Hempstead has banned any National Front meeting in the town on grounds of public order. The council declared that any attempt to hold a National Front meeting might result in violence and disorder. The council's decision was taken after a meeting of the council, which was attended by hundreds of council members.

The real reason was that Reading Trades Union Council was trying to stop the NF rally.
The Nazis switch their march to Stockport

A FORTNIGHT ago the Nazi National Front were forced to drop their plans to parade through the streets of Hyde, near Manchester, by the prospect of a large counter-demonstration. Now they are attempting to recover their prestige by switching their march to near-by Stockport.

The knife attack on a socialist in Bradford (see page 2) shows what happens when the Nazis are able to get away with it on the streets. They use the knife, the hooliganism and the firebomb against socialists and black people. They believe that by secret preparations for a demonstration this Saturday they will be able to open up Stockport to their antics.

The Nazi spokesman Verel boasted to the Guardian: 'It is rather amusing. The Red [i.e. which means any decent person who opposes the Nazis] don't know whether they're coming or going. The more speculation about where we are going to march, the more we like it. Verel was trying to cover up the extent of the recent defeats suffered by the Nazis. They were forced to demonstrate in secret, unable to gain publicity or to mobilise any idiotic than their usual bunch.'

But things will only stay like that until we are able to march in places such as Stockport are not those with a determined resistance. So we urge as many of you as possible to come to the North West and North of England to be in Stockport this Saturday.

Right to Work marchers in Brighton (from left): Hugh Burner, Danny Jones and Derek Bond and Marcus Luck.

Get your finger out, Labour!

WHAT are you going to do about unemployment?

That's what 15-year-old Danny Jones from Normandale asked Chancellor Denis Healey at the Labour Party Conference in Brighton.

Mrs Healey made her own little contribution to the discussion: 'You don't have to tell us about unemployment,' she said.

'My father was unemployed in the slump.'

They rushed off, without answering Danny's question, into the luxury of one of Brighton's five-star hotels, the Grand.

Danny Jones was one of the unemployed who took part in the joint lobby of the conference organized on Monday by the Right to Work Campaign and the Campaigns Against Youth Unemployment, which is supported by the Communist Party.

After the lobby the two organisations held a joint meeting. Speakers included Labour parliamentary candidate Eric Roberts, Bob Boyton, secretary of the CAYU, and John Dawson, secretary of the Right to Work Campaign.

The 250 people at the meeting agreed on the need for further joint co-operation between the two organisations, and in particular a campaign to bring unemployed workers on the G.meunskit fight.

Some of the CAYU demonstrators turned to the Right to Work Campaign's campaign. Said one: 'The fight is barely sustainable, the camp is weak, but I'd rather be here than sitting in the Oyster Hotel, in the Grand Hotel up there.'

THE SYSTEM'S IN AS BAD SHAPE AS EVER... BUT THEY'RE KEEPING IT VERY QUIET

TEN DAYS ago Chancellor Denis Healey returned from a meeting of the International Monetary Fund in Washington. Ever since then the press, the TV and the government have been proclaiming how rosy the economic prospect is.

But in the back pages of the press papers, where few workers are likely to venture, a different story is being told. Far from being rosy, the present world-wide crisis is grim, with millions of falling wages, public spending cuts and rising unemployment.

The Times business section reported last Thursday: 'In private most people from the industrial countries seem to agree that the world's economy is going to suffer from the next 18 months, and that seems no longer to be an isolated view.'

The present slump began four years ago. Since then, in all major Western countries, growing numbers of unemployed have been prevented from working in a growing number of shut down or half-operating factories. Because of this, the mathematical process of the world's production world-wide is about a fifth less than it could be.

In Britain, less wealth is being produced now than during the three years of the Tory Government under Edward Heath. In fact, during the last two periods when output has grown, as last year, but they have been so short as not to provide any self-sustaining recovery.

At the moment when ministers have started to congratulate themselves that things are coming right, a new setback is developing... Control

In public, government tell workers that if they are only patient, and don't make any attacks on capital, then eventually things will be better.

But in reality, the unions are being weakened and workers are being divided through the system's own tactics.

In short, the government is using the system's own weaknesses to further its own ends.

What! Can't the Chancellor count?

DENIS HEALEY claimed at the Labour Party Conference on Monday: 'The fall in living standards is over. He was loudly applauded.

But you don't have to be a mathematician to work out that the claim is hardly true.

According to Healey's own predictions, prices will still be rising by 12 per cent in December. His sidekick, John Barnett, suggests that even in a year's time they will still be rising by 10 per cent.

Yet wages are prevented from rising by more than 10 per cent overall. After deduction of rising costs, workers are being forced to put up with the 5 per cent rise they got under Phase Two just before June or July.

The only possible conclusion is that the claim is not the result of the government's own policies, but of the struggle of workers and the economic framework the government itself has set up.
£10,000 appeal
Fight the racists!
Stop the Nazis!

£5,198 Magnificent Response
Against Nazi Threats

THE 11TH Hour Brigade are the people who claimed responsibility for bomb¬bing our headquarters. Three weeks ago they claimed responsibility for bombing the Communications Relations Committee. They are desperate people. As the tide turns against them, and slowly but surely that is happening, they will resort to these tactics. The threats will not stop as what they would be foolish not to take on the fight. £10,000 is needed to rebuild our headquarters and carry on the fight.

This week's response is magnificent but we need that money now and it's too late to give up. We're not dead yet. So let's not be foolish.

The 11TH HOUR BRIGADE threatened to bomb a job in Crewe when Paul Fout was supposed to be speaking this week. The brewery told the landlord to call off the meeting and any future meetings at the pub.

Meanwhile, the fund is now £5,198.

The 11TH HOUR BRIGADE's POUNDING

Sheila Parkin

WORKPLACE BULLETINS 1 CO-OP MANAGEMENT 0

ATTEMPTS to ban the Socialist Worker Workplace Bulletin at the Crewe Co-op have failed. Co-op members in Crewe have ended in farce what was a defeat for management.

The management tried to bar distribution of the bulletin inside the factory when it appeared calling for a no vote in a factory ballot. The management had organised the ballot to try and win support for a 10 per cent wage increase.

But when the vote took place, the workers won.

The top manager, Roger Johnson, sent a letter to the shop floor and called meetings of staff on both shifts. He denounced the Socialist Worker Bulletin for trying to influence the vote and declared that the management were going to organise a counterpoint.

There was loud laughter when the man who would have done this even if the vote was lost. And the workers

After management had concluded the line vote in a dummy poll they sent formal letters urging staff not to read the bulletin.

The bosses produced a new list of people who were thought to be doing something against the management. Staff who attended the meetings were banned from the factory.

The bosses were finding that everyone seemed anti management.

Have you sent Socialist Worker a copy of your workplace bulletin yet? Send us a copy today, and write and tell us how you are doing it and how it is working. Send to: Bulletins, Socialist Worker, Corbridge Works, Carbridge Crescent, London, E2 SDN.

SMOKING OR EATING
IN CHEMICAL PLANTS
BE HAZARDOUS...

Sell Socialist Worker in the colleges

By Gill Brown, SWP Student Organizer

THE NUMBER of students in the SWP doubled over the last year. This year we could double again. NOSIS, the student organisation of the SWP, managed to organise fighting against the cuts in student grants. Mass meetings of students were drawn towards revolutionary politics.

But students struggles rise and fall very quickly. Thousands can be organising one day and be marching the following day. So those struggles which are important are not, so to speak, condensed. And to organise thousands of students that they must do far more than just combat demonstration, and begin to fight against the whole system.

Socialist Worker is central in that. Sales must be organised regularly in public places, not just in a few friends in the coffee bar. Every student movement should plan sales round every college residence, at the university, in the local university union, round car parks and bars, in their own lecture halls.

All these places must be covered over a period from now to exam time. This is a potential source of money for the SWP.

We have had its hit for 10,000 sales in the colleges every week by the beginning of November.

SEPTEBMBER was another good month for the Socialist Workers Party. The number of new members recruited was 215.

Among those joining were an unemployed businessman, 28 members of the T&G, and 14 members of the National Union of Building Workers.
Eight million tons of coal the NCB wants to throw away

ROCKINGHAM MINERS FIGHT TO SAVE THEIR PIT

JOE GORMLEY president of the National Union of Mineworkers, attacked young unemployed Right to Work marchers at the TUC Congress last month, telling them they should get jobs in the pits.

Now Gormley is at the centre of moves which could lead to the large-scale closure of pits all over the country, with the loss of thousands of jobs.

That is what will happen if the productivity deal in the pits gets through. Rockingham Colliery, near Barnsley in Yorkshire already faces the threat of closure in what is obviously a trial of strength between the Coal Board and the rank and file miners.

The Rockingham miners told their story to Socialist Worker.

ROCKINGHAM, 8 miles outside Barnsley. In most pits it forms the centre of a community. The National Coal Board wants to close the pit, but the men are fighting back.

Last year the sale of output of other pits in Yorkshire and the Atlantic coalfield to Yorkshire Area NUM has prompted the board to take unilateral action if necessary throughout the country to keep the pits open.

Neil O’Connell, NUM branch secretary at Rockingham, explains: "We are not only fighting our own pit, but all pits, after we got word from the board that they intended to close Rockingham. They claimed it would save them £8 million a year.

Some of the conditions were pretty tough, but that didn’t deter the miners."

Refused

"We asked the Coal Board 12 months ago to make ex-

planatory meetings for the miners, but they refused. We understood that the board had already suc-

ceeded in getting the union to agree to the agreement by which they could be left with only 96 men. We were assured by the board, and by government spokesmen, that the board had refused to use the miners as a scapegoat for their failures.

"We don’t want them to be used. They think it’s a game and don’t want the workers to find anything."

Roy Grant, who works underground, says the conditions are better than in most other pits: "We are owed money, but we want our wages to be paid."

"Our conditions are not as bad as many other pits."

Production deal equals more closures

"There was a reduction in staff last year, but the miners are resisting it."

Neil O’Connell, the branch secretary, says: "We are still fighting."

The AIM of the government and the Coal Board is to get the productivity deal in place within the next 28 years in a handful of tries, beginning with the colliery at the Vale of Belvoir, near Nottingham.

The miners there have been given a choice of three options: they can accept the deal or the colliery will be closed.

The last Labour government, pits were being closed at the rate of three every fortnight. At that time the miners were demoralised and their power seemed broken.

Then came massive unofficial strikes in 1969 and 1972, which were followed by the great national strikes of 1972 and 1974. The closure programme came to an end. The miners were confident in the fight for wages, and would not allow the pits to close.

Now the Coal Board is back to work to strengthen that confidence.

The main weapon the Coal Board wants to use in pushing through their closure programme is the productivity deal. This would destroy the national wage rate, reduce the level of real wages and smash the unions that have developed among the rank and file.

A productivity bonus scheme could allow men from low-productivity pits to work at those such as Selby, where they would be offered the top rates. This would almost certainly kill the fight for the survival of pits like Rockingham.

PROTEST NOW!

- LOBBY Thursday 13 October: Bernardswick NCM headquarters, Euston Road, London, NW1 (next to Euston Square tube)
- THE COALBURN SUPPORTER’S Conference: Stop the productivity betrayal! Fight for £1.35 an hour from 1 November, Saturday 15 October: Iver-Tun, Co-op Hall, Spring Gardens, Doncaster. Open to all NUM members.
- If you need overnight accommodation write immediately to: The Collier, 38 Abbey Lane. Cundy Cross, Barnsley, South Yorks.

Ken Vicars, the branch delegate, points out: "They are just trying to use us as a scapegoat for other pits."

They only want experience-

ced men, you see. This is a good workforce here. They’ve had to work in rough seams, so they’ve learned all the skills of the job."

But how can there be a shortage of manpower in the industry when the level of unemployment is so very high?"

David Mollard: "They blame the manpower shortages on the NCB wanting to shift the pit."

Ken Vicars, the branch delegate, points out: "They are just trying to use men as fodder for other pits."

Neil O’Connell, the branch secretary: "We’ve lost 240 men at Rockingham in the past 17 months and they’ve not been replaced. They’re just 1,000 men left."

"The Coal Board doesn’t want to take on any green labour. There are no jobs for the young school leavers because they’re not prepared to train them up. They’re only advertising for experienced men to re-enter the industry."

"They’ve settled the training schemes at Barnsley to reduce the number of young men they would have to train."

Albert Grant: "It takes six months to train a man properly for underground work and a man needs at least three to four years underground experience before he can go on the face. The NCB doesn’t want to train young people."

Albert O’Connell: "They aren’t so sure that there are any young men who really want to work down the pit anyway. With all the publicity over the past couple of years about underground phobia, these kids aren’t likely to do it."

"The only thing they do is to visit the colliery and want the job, but they don’t come back. They know the job is a dirty job, and there are plenty of men who are going to find other work."

"And about the pay and conditions, only a fool would shift to a pit if they didn’t work."

Neil O’Connell, the branch secretary, adds: "They are only trying to get rid of the collieries and the Coal Board can’t move them without the government’s consent."
Human nature, is it?

IDEAS by themselves cannot change society. This we showed last week, was one of the first conclusions arrived at by Karl Marx. In a letter to thinkers before him, he insisted that in understanding society you had to see human beings as part of the material world.

Their behaviour was determined by material factors, just as the behaviour of any other natural object was. The study of humanity was part of the scientific study of the natural world. Thinkers with such views were called materialists. And Marx was proud to be included among their number. But he criticised other materialists for their crude 'mechanical' interpretation of society.

Greedy

Our very widespread, now 'accepted' world view holds that human beings are 'selfish', that they 'behave naturally' in certain ways. Just as in the nature of wolves to kill or in the nature of sheep to be pliable, so is it in the nature of man to be aggressive, dominating, greedy (and, it is implied, of women, servile, deferential and passively loving).

This view is to be found in the best selling book, The Naked Ape. The conclusion must not be drawn from such arguments are almost always true, and they are always the same. Revolutionaries have always failed.

But 'human nature' in fact varies from society to society.

For instance, consider the case of the people in the world who kill for sport. In our society, this is considered normal. And the arguments that could be put forward to support this view are the same as those put forward by the revolutionaries to support their views.

Wipe out

The same with animals. In the 19th century, the wild animals were considered 'ungainly' and that they had no 'natural' right to exist. In the 20th century, they are considered 'primitive' and that they should be wiped out.

In our society it is regarded as a moral duty to protect and cherish wildlife. In the 19th century, the wild animals were considered 'ungainly' and that they had no 'natural' right to exist. In the 20th century, they are considered 'primitive' and that they should be wiped out.

All that matters is the relationship of the species to the environment. The apex species has established itself as the dominant species. The apex species has established itself as the dominant species. The apex species has established itself as the dominant species.

Changed

No wonder many people now think that greed is a 'natural' human characteristic. This is because greedy societies are in a state of war. It is a war to the death of the species. It is a war to the death of the species. It is a war to the death of the species.

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ITALY: Strike called against fascists

THREE NIGHTS of fascist terrorism culminated in the murder of Walter Rossi, last Friday.

On Wednesday night Paola Camignani and Nazzareno Brusca were sitting with a group of friends outside an underground station when a masked youth walked up, pulled a pistol and aimed into

By Ben Christon in Rome

the group.

Police, who shot in the groin, the bullet caused a dangerous hemorrhage which the doctors succeeded in stopping in some difficulty. Nazzareno was wounded in the foot.

Thursday night in Piazza Igra Elena Pasolini was gravely wounded when three fascists pulled up in a car, fixed and sped off.

They were the latest in a long line of beatings and assaults on left wing officers. The most recent occurred last night.

Walter Rossi, a member of the revolutionary socialist group Left Continuity, had gone to demonstrate outside the local fascist den in Via de Medici in Rome. After a few minutes in the squares, the attack emanated.

A group of 15 to 20 fascists were outside the building along with the police in a personnel carrier which started towards the group of demonstrators 150 yards away.

The fascists followed. As the police car approached the fascists ran forward in front of it and a hail of bullets hit the crowd. The attack was pulled out of the car, and the fascists continued the attack.

Several people were killed and others were wounded in the attack.

Tear gas

That evening, as the news spread by radio and revolutionary radio stations around the country, demonstrations gathered and marched to the fascist building.

By night, it was being protected by police and a few fascists started firing tear gas and throwing objects.

Scores of demonstrators were killed in the attack.

A general strike was called to protest against the violence.

A series of terrorist acts against fascists conducted with the complicity of the police, have also been well orchestrated. Obviously how the support of the Christian Democracy Government.

EXCUSE

They are attempting to provoke the student movement into some sort of protest against the government, the government and the fascist movement as a whole.

It is a desperate attempt to make the government appear as an oppressor. A general strike is needed.

To defeat the aims of the fascist movement and the government, the fascist movement must spread the struggle into the factories of the country. The only solution to this is the general strike. The only way to start a general strike.

SOUTH AFRICAN SOLIDARITY TOUR

Between 1 and 12 November the South African Solidarity Campaign has arranged a tour of the major towns in Britain, with speakers from the militants of the South African Anti-Apartheid movement, films and exhibitions.

We aim to equip, support and supply the militant fighters in Zimbabwe, and for the youth of Mozambique.

Wednesday 5 October

12.00 Southampton University: Film: 'Black Mba' at Sandling, University

4.00 Eastleigh Technical College: Film and speakers, 8.00 West Indian Association Club:

SOUTHERN AFRICA SOLIDARITY TOUR

Wednesday 6 October

9.00 Reading University: Film and dinner: 1.00 Reading University: Film and dinner.

Friday 7 October

12.00 Reading University: Film and speakers, 8.00 Trade Union Institute.

Saturday 8 October:

GLOUCESTER

FUNDING for the armed struggle in Zimbabwe and for the youth of Mozambique.

Film: 'All We want is Freedom' plus speakers.

Monday 10 October:

DERBY

Wednesday 12 October:

YORK

BRISTOL

SASC, 21 Maxwell Road, London N1.
The following Trade union activists call for support for the November 26th Rank
& File Delegate Conference

Saturday 26 November, 11.30am, New Century Hall,
Corporation Street, Manchester

 Smash the 13-month rule—£15 a week minimum pay raise now.
 For the right to work—no productivity deal
 For rank and file unity—against racism

Delegates invited from all trade union bodies. Credentials 50p from Rank and File Centre, 265a Seven Sisters Road, London N4.

For the children

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He has been involved in politics for many years, and is currently a member of the Socialist Party. He is passionate about social justice and is committed to making a difference in the world.

He is also a keen cyclist, and often uses his bike as a way to get around the city. He enjoys reading, particularly non-fiction, and is always on the lookout for new books to read.

For more information about Ron and his work, please visit his website.
Looks fine doesn’t it? Till you realise which ‘people’ he means...

...these

CALLAGHAN COUNTRY AND

story in Cardiff which describes our beloved James Callaghan’s tory nation that gave him the vote, the success and fame he goes, is doing a quick drive to Cardiff with his associate Jack Hoddle and his Cabinet. In Cardiff, one of several such forays that Callaghan’sクロスFriend and business
, whose reputation in Wales is in heaven, has his cinemas displayed in the streets above his coaching. This week’s event with Jim Callaghan notices has gone wrong. There’s no ‘Vote for the Country’ poster on the Council house and, as always, ‘Why aren’t you?’
ers: ‘We wanted to do it, Jim. Callaghan, writing this week is The Monster

EVEN the most superficial glance round Callaghan’s constituency is an indication that places like 10 Downing Street, or the Grand Hotel in Brighton, from whose luxury Callaghan and Company manipulate this week’s Labour Party conference, really must be on another planet.

Callaghan’s Cardiff South East constituency is taken in a number of places with prominent
factories, ships and docks, but the geography human misery, landscape, society, the most appalling of all, shipyard workers,
the remainder of Labour’s total failure to challenge poverty, abolish unemployment and equalize housing and human suffering.

Jack is testimony of Labour’s incorporation within the system.

DECEIT
Together they make the conference hall invisible on the left in Brighton as an exodus either in self-deflection or in cynical deceit.

In recent times the bootleggers have moved into Lower Spley, scoring the houses and clearing away the sources of a Prime Minister’s embarrassment. But who can believe that his change for the better when everywhere hospitals are being cut back, new houses are already planned and new Splits are on the way up.

What the clearerness in Splits have done is expose for all to see the half of the East Moors steelworks, a place where amid the poverty of Splits millions of pounds were made, a place which today is a sort of tributes to British capitalism and its sad attempts to change it from the inside.

East Moors is due to close by 1981. Nobody believes that it will last that long.

Subject
When it was finally on the table the Labour government kindly rationalised it. But it could not be possible and let GKN have their knock-down terms the sections that made real money.

In January 1971, when the Tories were in power, James Callaghan made a moving speech in Commons precinct on the subject of the impending closure. In that speech Callaghan pronounced himself shocked that there should be a 3.5% per cent male unemployment in Cardiff.

If he was shocked then, he must be in a spyhole now. For according to information collated from the WELPA report, recently published by the Upper Anns Department, unemployment in some of inner-city wards, night in the heart of James Callaghan’s constituency, was up at the 20 per cent mark. That was 1971.

For the tenants
LEFT: This is Billy Dobbins, a housing estate in Penarth which used to be an office for the Local Labour Party. Now it’s been moved out via redhanded boundaries. Jim Callaghan is not surprised. callaghan is for the tenants, and not surprising.

For Billy Dobbins is a classic example of the new slumlordism. He is not surprised. His belief that the best way of getting rid of the slum is to move the tenants. Now all its tenants are being moved out. Defective construction materials have been discovered. The prize-winning house is falling apart in the ten years old.

For the workers
RIGHT: Filter on the GKN site at Neath. The 260 workers, in the heart of Cardiff, are first aid men. Their job is to keep an eye on the steelworkers going on strike here and meeting their mates.

Peter How, one of those leaders, doesn’t believe his job is going to be so long.

GKN next door are doing very nicely out of this feeling of anxiety. They say they are paying 15% an hour less for the same job. And that MII is tremendously profitable.

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The sort of violence our rulers support

ANYONE with doubts about the 'justice' of the execution of the four mercenaries in Angola last year, should read this book.

The story of the recruitment and activities of these men is nary and sordid. Nothing about it is more sordid, or cynical, than the involvement of the British and US governments and their surrogates. Consider some of the facts.

The mercenaries were recruited through newspaper advertisements, despite the fact that there are supposed to be no recruitment in both countries.

No check was ever made nor was there a warrant out on the police.

Adverts

The role of papers like the Sun and The Daily Express is interesting. As the book's author points out, most of the mass-circulation daily and Sunday papers carried advertisements for these firms, and the only stimulus to interest in mercenaries was it if a young man was taken in.

It is possible that those who have been considered ethical by the newspapers should carry advertisements for these firms.

The answer would be a definite 'No'.

Recruiting a country for murder; a country's life is different. Of course.

At the time, the mercenaries left London airport under the eyes of the police in handcuffs, despite the fact that there was no attempt to stop them.

'The Whores of War', by W. Burchett & D. Rhoob (Portico Books, 265 Seven Sisters Road, London, N1), wanted on charges of criminal charges, and few of them had been convicted.

Most sinister of all is the evidence of direct assistance of the British and US governments. Two of the British team were Special Branch officers.

And while officially the CFA received no direct assistance for training the people of Rhodesia and Angola, it was not until the mercenaries had been employed directly through the CFA.

And while the Western powers go out so much tongue, the CFA.....

The book goes on to show that during the development of Southern Africa there is expanding with it, Western interests.

Hostile

With the withdrawal of Portugal from her former colonies, she looked as hostile governments would be established on the borders of the countries of war, in Rhodesia and South Africa and what happened in Namibia, the guerrillas there.

The Portuguese's hampering in Africa and America's defences have been a source of committing themselves to fighting liberation movements directly.

In Britain and the USA, there are thousands of men who have been hospitalised by military service in Ireland or Vietnam, and they continue to provide excellent cannon fodder for their former masters.

The psychopathic "Colonial Callous" was a former British Army parachutist.

For all that, they were not a very popular mob. Although they slaughtered black workers and other indigenous, they were unable to put up the mass of efforts by the people who faced them.

But mercenaries clearly have a big future. They're fighting in Rhodesia and the Lebanon today, and the authors claim the following chilling passage from an American officer:

"I reckon there are about 40 Frenchmen fighting for the Falangists. Mostly they're conscripts who belong to the French fascist party. They came over here for three months, got trained, and did some fighting. Then they go back and wait to go into action in France."

The book gives plenty of evidence of French, Spanish and Italian fascistic recruiting and training mercenaries. And the western powers would not scruple to use such people against revolutionaries in their own countries, as they have done in Spain and Italy.

Revenge

Against this background, the reason for the trial and execution of the mercenaries is clear. It is a case of revenge. If the Angolans had wanted to take revenge, they could have shot them out of hand on the battlefield.

Instead they wanted to hang them in public. Although they were not杀害, and the rotten and despicable pieces that produced them.

It is a case of revenge to discourage any future disturbance. They want to pack up and try their trade in Africa.

Above: mercenaries leaving for Angola and getting their "reward"

WHEN THE BOAT CAVES IN

IT'S RARE for your SW TV critic to be in possession of a book written by individuals with no affiliation to the Labour Party. For that reason, I would have to be as well written as the rest of the book, and equally as readable, to justify its position in the top of the ladder. Will he be as well written as the rest of the book, and equally as readable, as he has been in the past? (Yawn, 1973).

By ROLAND MULDOON

The exception has been "Totality and the Body Politic", by John Eatwell. It is beginning to get the impression that I am being used as a critic. However, when I am used, I can be used as a critic. Can I be used as a critic? Will I be used as a critic? (Yawn, 1973).

In Mandela's "Where the Boat Comes In", he describes how the boat was a haven for the political exiles. It was one of the few places where the exiles could gather and plan their next moves. The exception has been "Totality and the Body Politic".

The book exposed how the political exiles were able to move freely between the camps and to plan, organise and execute attacks on the government. It was a place where the exiles could come together and plot their next move.

Beer cans

The red herring of the history of the South West in the first world war, and, of course, the speculators who speculated the price of those precious grains, all leading to the big question: 'Why the hell do we let them get away with it?'

No wonder the series has suffered many cuts. I think I've got the story right, but the book has been a big success. The sort of violence our rulers support.

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These are the books for the fourth quarter, 1977.

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A WAGE CUT
BY ANY OTHER NAME

Price rises are rising at the rate of 17.7 per cent while wages are rising at 18.5 per cent. In fact, earnings increases have lagged behind inflation to the widest margin in statistical history. The figures prove what everyone knows: it is easier to be happy when you have less money.

Coffee has more than doubled in price in the past year. And it is forecast that bread, rice and milk will all go up. So, we now have an economy of low wages and high prices. One result of this is that over the past quarter, while production has gone up by one per cent, profits have increased by 30 per cent. However, the government is not satisfied with this and is trying to force wages up further. Workers are to be allowed to rise over a year but prices may go up twice. In the Hungry Thirties, when wages were not enough, money was taken from the price pocket. Today, by allowing price rises and freezing wages, the government is achieving the same result.

This wage battle must be resisted. Phase 3 of the pay policy should be fought against.

W. R. Harlow

POSTAL POINTS

THREE young members of the SWP went along to a Young Socialists meeting recently at which the local MP was speaking. However, they were turned away when a YS organiser recognised them and claimed it was a closed meeting. It had in fact been advertised as an open public meeting.

Be so much for the non-public speaker.

G. GRAVESEND SWP

EAMONN McCann went on about Roy Mason (24 September) which he does every week. The worst crime of which he accuses a Labour MP is making a promise which he will not keep. The works of Connelly in Belfast have smashed through the wall which separates the workers all over Ireland. We can do it in the rest of Northern Ireland. Yet no body cares.

M. HIGGINS, Paisley

MAY I draw your attention to the article on the BBC series Open Door, displayed a case of self-country for Self Employment.

NIGEL WRIGHT

LESSONs OF LEwism IN DEFENCE OF VIOLENCE

I was disappointed that your article What Scougerings? (29 September) made no mention of single mothers who form a large number of claimants. Instead, you gave two divorced women as examples of unsupported mothers on social security.

Single mothers are not pathetic victims of abscinding males, but women, who are fighting patriotically. Many of us respect this struggle. Simply regard it as a confession not valuable enough to warrant a forceful response. This is the chosen path of self-destruction.

We believe that the system and the whole of society are not the only way to live. In order to break down the system we must start by breaking down ourselves. The only way to change the world is to change our own lives. We must start by breaking down the system we must start by breaking down ourselves. The only way to change the world is to change our own lives.

NIGEL WRIGHT, Aberdare

Capitalism will naturally seek to eliminate the possibility of nuclear war. As a result, we will be able to live in peace and harmony.

JAMES ANDERSON, Central London

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NUCLEAR ENERGY YES, NOT WEAPONS

THE TWO lures on nuclear energy (4 September) are not what we need in the 21st century.

In our discussion of whether we should oppose nuclear power completely, I agree with the people who are against its use. However, I believe that this means that nuclear energy cannot serve a useful function in our society.

In a socialist society, there would be no need to research into weapons of destruction.

A small group of Greenpeace supporters, who believe that South Africa's nuclear programme must be halted, sent a letter to John Foster, the head of the non-governmental organisation, which said:

"We have experienced the horrors of nuclear weapons. We believe that a nuclear war is not a solution to our problems and we demand that South Africa abandon its nuclear programme.

The letter went on to say that the world is not ready for nuclear weapons and that their use would cause an irreversible damage to the environment.

This is why we are calling for a total ban on nuclear weapons.

We would like to see a world free of nuclear weapons and we believe that this is possible.

THE ROAD TO BARBARYISM

We are not suggesting that nuclear weapons should be used in any way, but we do believe that they should not be used as a means of nuclear deterrence.

In order to achieve this, we need to build a movement of workers and ordinary people who are opposed to nuclear weapons.

We are not alone in this struggle, and we believe that we can build a powerful movement that will be able to change the world.

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ELECTION DEAD-END

ONE HAS to ask electioneers, such as John Webster of the Independent Socialists (6 September), what they are for and what they are going to do.

What do they hope to achieve by remaining in the Westminster system? What does it mean to remain with a party that has shown itself to be incapable of leading a struggle against the Tories? What is the point of voting for a party that cannot win, or even come close to winning, any election?

The Independent Socialists have so far failed to win a single election, and they have not even been able to win a single council seat. What is the point of continuing to support a party that cannot win anything?

The Independent Socialists should be ashamed of themselves for continuing to support a system that is so clearly unsatisfactory. They should be ashamed of themselves for continuing to support a system that is so clearly unsatisfactory.

They are just another part of the problem, not the solution. They are just another part of the problem, not the solution.

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Who rules Britain?

SO NOW we know who rules Britain. The monarchy. And in the Daily Mail, it's the Inter-Continental Electric winner. They are the MPs, the 'Majors', the ones behind the 'sustained' hour. They are the ones who are the driving force behind the unwilling socialists to make our own government profitable.

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THE ARTICLE on the Independent Parliamentary Information Exchange (24 September) forgets that it is not only children who are "open to exploitation." It is often the child rather than the adult who initiates a relationship with older boys.

FRANKI LANCASTER, Manchester

CONGRATULATIONS on the article in the Independent Parliamentary Information Exchange (24 September) on the result of a study by the University of Essex.

It is a clear and concise piece of research. The dangers of a poor second are well known.

J. E. RIVERS, Coventry, Essex

Many people say Catholics are righting wrongs who pay for salvation but procesion and repetition are under the sky.

After making a statement to the police, I am back on the road.

J. R. LANGLEY, Lowestoft

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IN DEFENCE OF CHRISTIANITY

Most of my friends are atheists, many of them in the SWP. Some are not. One is an ex-catholic. I think many people who consider themselves Christians are people with big lapses in conscience.

As a non-conservative Christian, I think that the church is not as important as the Church of England. I think the church is not as important as the Church of England. I think the church is not as important as the Church of England.

The Christian and socialist were entirely compatible, indeed indistinguishable. Catholic living is not just philanthropy, the basket of bread to the poor people, but the traditional virtues of Christianity: the respect for the individual, the love of the neighbour, the respect for the law.

We must fight for the survival of the Christian and socialist traditions.

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Took which to tear up?

I HAVE recently left the Communist Party to join the SWP, and after four years as a CP member for seven years under the label of the CP as a national political party, I consider it to be the most important decision I have made.

One of the main forms of doing this was with the new draft of the British Road to Socialism. It's certainly not the Marxist Labour Movement that I'm looking for today.

On holiday this year, I read the one book of this type that I had on the road during the Communist Party days. I am sure that the party is doing good to you people.

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DEATH OF A SOLDIER

by a Republican prisoner in Long Kesh Camp, Northern Ireland

At home X is in trouble. His family are in trouble for paying the £20. It makes X feel the helplessness at the hands of the establishment—police, courts, solicitors. But he hasn’t the stomach to go out and fight back. He is ‘spoil’d’.

SEEING THE WORLD

SO THE scene is set for him to join forces with the establishment—so he feels scared and by enlisting in the British Army.

He joins a Scottish regiment. His parents have to fill in forms, for he’s too young to enlist without their consent. But they, like X, are conditioned to believe the lie that a son in the army will bring them out, give him a trade.

But they just told X not to go on TV about the soldiers and Canada, they can’t stop us now. They can’t stop them by enrolling themselves? They signed the forms—the death warrants. After the Camp, X tried to tell the same, learning to love and care more of himself than to kill. He’s all that good, the comradeship, weekends to the local girl. But now, X is scared. It’s too late. He’s scared of being caught. He’s scared of being killed. He’s scared of being found. He’s scared of being caught for the first time, courting the local girl.

No danger. Indeed this is the good life. Only the usual, the work of the day. But now, X has to decide, they know Best. He knows best after all. A pleasant six months, then to Germany.

Imagine, doing the world an favor—free food and no expense—and getting paid for it! X says this truth of life is over. He says he will be happy. He says he will be happy if he can go back to the establishment and he will be well looked after! What job could give you more?

How was he to know that a desert education would have given him any financial reward he wanted—more, it might have given him a political awakening. He found the truth in what the establishment was doing to his class. His class might have been a socialist. Who knows?

But now, in the way of all soldiers, in peace there’s little work to do, few complaints except the odd route march and exercise.

Of course he’s heard of Northern Ireland, but in Germany it’s just a pleasant thing. Nobody asks who’s going in or out of Northern Ireland. Just stupid parrots copied from the junior officer: ‘Tish wog paddies… go in and fix them.

Anyway his regiment wasn’t going there. Barrack gates was next step ‘perry Cypress’. No territory there. A bit of trouble but we’re not involved, so what the hell?

TALK WAS OF Belfast

A YEAR and a half back to Britain. A soldier, 18 year old. The regiment is going to Kent for special training, then home leave.

With his thoughts full of going home he paid little attention to the lecture and learning to be a ‘watch officer’ was just a bit of fun. But playing the part of a crowd being arrested. He was in the crowd. The memories of Glasgow and police chiefs and football matches. He pushed it to the back of his mind.

He’s a young kid, but he’s a soldier now. He’s a soldier in Northern Ireland. It’s all Belfast, but he’s heard of it before. He says in three days he hopes he’ll be home. Seeing mum and dad again, sisters and brothers. He says he’s been back to the places he’s been.

‘Playing the part of the crowd being snatched was somehow disturbing, bringing memories of Glasgow and police charges after football matches’
PLASTOW: 800 ON MARCH

EAST LONDON: About 100 people marched through the streets of Plastow last night in protest against the proposed closure of Plasticity Hospital.

It is the fourth time people have put their bodies on the line to protect the hospital from closure.

One man was taken to hospital with a broken leg when he was caught on a coil of metal being thrown by police who were dispersing the crowd.

A police spokesman said: "We are trying to get to the root of why so many people are coming down here."

But local campaigner said: "We've been told that the hospital is a shambles and that's why we're here to defend it."

Darlington: NUJ goes to mediation

JOURNALISTS at the Northern Echo in Darlington who have been on strike for three months for a closed shop deal, are putting pressure on the NUJ to mediate.

The NUJ members say they are being discriminated against by the newspaper publishers who want a deal with them.

The printers in Darlington are also in support of the NUJ members.

Other chapters in the North-East have rejected a FSGP recommendation for a closed shop deal.

The NUJ has written to the Industrial Council that they should be prepared to take strike action if the mediation fails.

The Darlington Journal said it had support from readers and printers.

A meeting of delegates from NGA (print) chapters in Westminster Press recently voted not to return to work until the strike had been won.

Charles Turner, NUJ maintenance workers striking for a living wage for a 40-hour week are picketing round the clock outside the factory. Trademen get £44 a week and workers have refused to make an offer. A picket has just been formed a week after the last strike and people are being turned away from the factory.

Police quickly threatened to arrest a Right to Work supporter for not respecting the picket line.

Ken Crompton, NUJ Amalgamated Engineers Workers Shop steward, talked to us. "It's a great idea to get engineering workers in Bolton together, in order to base wage levels on the same conditions as those elsewhere, rather than on an individualistic basis.

Indeed on Friday morning, when 20 men from near East Lancashire turned up, the long strike has begun in Bolton itself, as typical of the same line.

The District Secretary of the NUJ likened the union to a block which is being kept out of the way of the local employers who are pushing for a new deal with the local employers.

A message of support and mobilisation to NUJ strike committee, Labour Club, Victoria Road, Darlington.

What we think

The defeat of the Desoutters strike is a bad day for all trade unionists and in particular for the strikers' union, the Amalgamated Union of Engineers. Three years ago the Amalgamated Union of Engineers in England, which had been forced to abandon its members, was the Amalgamated Union of Engineers. Two years ago the Amalgamated Union of Engineers was forced to abandon its members, and now for shop stewards it's building a class-conscious group of workers.

Furthermore this strike is that their own union forced them on a path that is leading nowhere. The local District Committee's refusal to implement a new set of rules for even a single shift per week means that the strike is now at the stage of a two AUEW shop stewards.

The AUEW executive and the North London District Committees have all set a long way since then. They have acted as if the Desoutters strike was an irritating embarrassment which they wanted to get away from. A proper level of all North London members, including the AUEW's local steward, of all Desoutters products, however, is the supply, mass picketing of the factory could have brought an easy victory in a matter of weeks.

Why they didn't act in this way?

What we think

The Defeat of the Desoutters strike is a bad day for all trade unionists and in particular for the strikers' union, the Amalgamated Union of Engineers. Three years ago the Amalgamated Union of Engineers in England, which had been forced to abandon its members, was the Amalgamated Union of Engineers. Two years ago the Amalgamated Union of Engineers was forced to abandon its members, and now for shop stewards it's building a class-conscious group of workers.

Furthermore this strike is that their own union forced them on a path that is leading nowhere. The local District Committee's refusal to implement a new set of rules for even a single shift per week means that the strike is now at the stage of a two AUEW shop stewards.

The AUEW executive and the North London District Committees have all set a long way since then. They have acted as if the Desoutters strike was an irritating embarrassment which they wanted to get away from. A proper level of all North London members, including the AUEW's local steward, of all Desoutters products, however, is the supply, mass picketing of the factory could have brought an easy victory in a matter of weeks.

Why they didn't act in this way?

NO TO THE 12-MONTH RULE...FIGHT FOR TRADE UNION RIGHTS...
Why wasn't pensioner admitted to 'work-in' hospital?

An OLD AGE pensioner died in Hounslow last week.

Five days before his death the administration decided he was not fit to be admitted to Hounslow Hospital, and work-in was in progress.

There are disgraceful signs that this was done deliberately to try to undermine the strike.

Fred Ladyman, a 77-year-old founder-member of Hounslow T&G, died on the 24th, the 48th person to be admitted to the hospital since the beginning of the work-in.

He was in hospital accommodation and the warder was due to go on a fortnight's holiday; it was felt that Fred would be better off in hospital with someone looking after him. But when he was left in the hands of a relief warder, arrangements were made to have him admitted on the 22nd. The warder said there were about 30 vacant beds for patients.

Last Thursday, about 4pm, a note was left at Hounslow Hospital advising arrangements to bring Fred to the hospital and that he had been taken to the hospital. He was shown to the warder, but there were no other beds for him.

Despite the fact that there was a bed at Hounslow waiting for him.

That evening Fred collapsed and was rushed to a hospital. By the time he arrived, he was dead.

At Hounslow the administration have claimed that the picketing was the cause.

Air strike stopped up

THE AIR RFC strike continues. Air controllers have stepped up the picketing campaign to get the Government to concede the demands of the Controllers and Associate Members.

Air travel is severely disrupted as all traffic is being rerouted through Stansted, Manchester, Heathrow and Gatwick. The Association of Unionised Controllers, the General Workers Union, and the Transport and General Workers Union are members of the General Strike Committee.

In order to keep up the picketing, members of the Association, the Controllers and Associate Members and the Labour Movement have been picketing to support the pickets and to gain financial support.

Unfortunately some CPSM members who operate the ticket gates are still working. It is hoped that they will be called out by their executive committee.

GEC blockedade

South Wales: Pickets are preventing the dispatch of three quarters of a million pounds worth of orders for colour video cameras from the GEC plant at Hwllfan in South Wales.

Pickets have been in place for three quarters of a million pounds worth of orders for colour video cameras. The strike has lasted for three weeks.

Average rates of pay on days when the plant is closed have been 90 per cent of the normal level. The strike has lasted for three weeks.

In some areas of the factory, pickets have been able to 'afford' an increased 14 per cent of the normal pay. Overall, the sit-ins have cost around £750 million and last year's profit of £750 million.

GEC is one of the largest manufacturers of television equipment in the world.

Pickets at the British Mail Order Company, Workers at the Wigles and Eccles plants walked out on strike in protest at the imposition of low wages.

In the Eccles plant the take-home pay of a male worker with a wife and child is just £25 for 40 hours.

Workers at Wigles have stayed out of spite of instructions by full-time officials of their union. The shop stewards, UNAC, say it is too early to return to work. At Eccles workers have gone back.

Lorry drivers defy Healey

Lorry drivers in the West Midlands have successfully defied attempts by the Government to blacklist their employers by paying no more than a 10 per cent wage rise.

The strike, in which the right wing of the union has been heavily involved, has led to the appointment of a new strike committee.

The management threatened to suspend the workers while the unions said they would withdraw support. The strike continues.

Dispute

Tommy Steel, chairman of the constituent union and constituent blacklists co-ordinating committee, told Socialists' Worker: "Because we've picketed various docks and inland ports and had excellent support from the trade unions in those areas, our dispute was short." He hopes the workers' dispute will be resolved.

Now a national claim!

A MEETING of representatives of lorry drivers in the Transport Union met in London last week to co-ordinate a national claim for around 34 per cent on their present basic wage of between £29 and £40.

Negotiations are conducted locally, and are opening now in Fife, Scotland. These are the two groups who won mass claims against the Tory Government's wage policy in 1973 to 1974.

Anger as Leyland workers go back

BRITISH LEYLAND truck and bus workers at Leyland, were blackballed into going back to work and accepting the 10 per cent limit and management's productivity deal.

There were angry scenes at the mass meeting on Thursday as workers were told that the strike was unwinnable and a return to work was recommended by the Joint Shop Stewards.

Lack of confidence

The reason for this became apparent when workers were told that the National Enterprise Board had informed our trade union leaders that if she didn't get its house in order then she would cut all the money needed to finance the strike.

After reporting earlier in the week with the Strike Committee and trade union leaders confirmed this. The trade union leaders said that they couldn't or wouldn't make the strike official.

The vote taken at the meeting was two to one for the return to work. But this was by no means a vote of confidence, an indication of the lack of confidence in the main vote, as a realisation of the lack of confidence in the main union leaders.

OFFICIAL SNUB AT CASTINGS

WEST MIDLANDS: We are now in the third week of our strike for the 10 per cent limit and productivity deal. The National Enterprise Board's 10 per cent pay limit and productivity deal has caused a strike.

Drivers at West Midlands Roadway were still on strike for the same 10 per cent. Like the Brain Heritage drivers they were offered 15 per cent, and it had withdrawn because of Government pressure.

West Midlands Roadway is part of the same group of companies as the giant building firm Bovis. They have made millions out of highly profitable Government contracts. Among their other movements in the Midlands is the appalling Spalding Junc- tors.

Drivers at Bickers, Tipton, and Peter Shirley Smith in Birmingham have also received awards of 15 per cent.

FUNERAL workers on the strike at Manor Park in East London, in support of his claim for a decent wage.

Joe Goodman told the Socialist Worker he had read that morning's Daily Mail front page attack on the strikers. "It was daft. A bopper's view. Half of it was lies."

Paul Harris added, 'Don't know where the Daily Mail got its information about the strike. It certainly wasn't from us. There is no overtime. Instead we have been working for up for 24 hours a day. Seven days a week. But we don't get paid for it.'

GEC workers on the picket line at Manor Park in East London. In support of their claim for a decent wage.
Fighting tyranny in the tunnels

'WE MUST have every man in membership of our organisation will become a rope of sand.'

That was the watchword of Durham miners 100 years ago, fighting to defend their rights to obtain decent wages and conditions to prevent them from being exploited and made up profit.

Another group of miners are engaged in a similar make or break struggle.

They are Durham miners organised in a two-year-old branch of the Transport and General Workers' Union. Their opponents are certain contractors like Edmond Nettle, Harbour Board and John Murphy.

Until two years ago, when the miners' action achieved 180 per cent to counter the 12-hour shift imposed by their union's officials, the miners who were bound by the same conditions were bound by the same terms. The miners then decided to break the back of the miners' strike by blacklisting them.

The miners are fighting back. They've pulled their members from 35 mines throughout the country to form a national council. They have sent delegations to protest unrest.

Rope

And they expected a week's work at 12-hour shifts.

Those they forced their union organisation into a rope that has made of sand, their conditions have changed. They have expected the miners to work to the order of the miners' union's officials, i.e. they are giving their members a 24-hour shift.

They have been abandoned by the miners who have been abandoned by the union's officials. They have been abandoned by the miners who are working against the miners' union's officials.

Fronting the campaign against the miners are the miners' union's officials. J. Murphy company in Walsden Park, N. London. They're refused to take men from the miners' union and are using a group of ex-miners and ex-users of the miners' union's officials.

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Moved

Last week they also organised the Murray's strike and staged a protest at the miners' union's officials.

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Picket

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Contact your shop stewards' committee, trade union branch or trade council and make sure that they don't contact us.

MASS PICKET AT GRUNWICK, Monday 17 October, 9 a.m. onwards, Chapter Road, London N9 (next to Dollis Hill tube station).