EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED

In the south-eastern sector of Airstrip One, a 100lb explosive device, planted by nationalist insurgents, claimed four lives, injured many and brought fear to the hearts of the Class Enemy. In the wake of the bombing it has since been revealed that the whole of UK Land Forces were placed on full mobilisation prior to and immediately after the attack. The military had the initiative, the rest of us hadn't.

In the early hours of Friday October 12, at precisely 2.57, the bomb exploded, sending shock waves through the Grand Hotel, temporary Seat of Government, destroying eight floors in the centre of the building.

The police later stated that they thought the IRA, who claimed the bombing, had the facility to use timing devices that can be set up to three weeks prior to a planned explosion. This is not true: timing devices with a three year delay have been available since 1977, and the lie put out by the police propagandists was but an attempt at deception, no less than the disininformation put out about the bomb being only 20lbs. The device could have been placed anywhere the British government is not untouchable. That the AILITY WAS PUT on the full alert

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The 4 killed included Sir Anthony Berry and his wife, Jeanne Shattock, whose injuries have left her virtually paralysed from the neck down. Norman Tebbit (whose Bill in '82 has eroded Union rights) was badly injured. Pound trapped by rubble and in severe pain, he received stomach and leg injuries. Unlike his wife, whose injuries have left her virtually paralysed from the neck down, Norman's injuries did not affect his own paralysis (from the neck up).

What we all witnessed at Brighton, though, was not an example of class retribution, but an incident of war undertaken between two factions fighting over a question of territory. The IRA (with whom we share nothing in common, except an enemy) at best seeks state socialism within a regional, republican setting. Politics apart, the IRA proved to everyone that they acted with expertise and with daring. They proved that the British government is not untouchable.

In the latest issue of Republican News the IRA issued a post-attack statement. Under the headline, 'IRA BLITZ ON THE BRITS' they stated that their aim was to annihilate the entire Cabinet (of those who were present at the Hotel) and to destabilise the British political scene. If they had succeeded, from the subsequent crisis (bringing about a re-introduction of internment, etc) they would then hope to polarise the political scene in the province further until pressure for withdrawal won through.

On the security front it is now quite clear that British Intelligence had bungled. Information had in fact come in via the FBI and the Royal Ulster Constabulary that a major IRA attack was imminent. In addition experience should have taught Intelligence that the IRA always strike prior to their annual Sinn Fein gathering in Dabur (due next month). With the capture of the arms ship, the Marita Anne, off the coast of southern Ireland by the Gardaí (after another tip-off by the FBI, who had been tracking the supply ship by satellite), and with the Dublin and London governments coming closer together, it was obvious that something spectacular would happen in advance of the November Thatcher-Fitzgerald Summit. The warnings were plentiful and we congratulate Intel-
The Battle For Power

With the decision by NACODS - the pit deputies union - to come out on strike (still on as we go to press), it remains to be seen whether, despite the fact that they are not agreeing to strike action, the deputies in the crucial Midlands area (includes the Notts coalfield) come out too. The union claim that the sudden change of heart (provided by NACODS) has to close, so in theory all the pits which are still operating will not be able to continue production while NACODS are out. Already though there are contradictory reports about NACOD solidarity in the Notts coalfield. If the deputies scab in this area then they will give the government a substantial opportunity to improve their contingency arrangements for meeting possible power cuts.

It is now estimated that if the government were forced to try and move the existing 20m tonnes of coal stockpiled at strikebound pits then this alone requirement the fire-fried power stations need each week - 1.2m tonnes - to keep up capacity, then over 50,000 lorry loads of coal will need to be moved. There is a vast army of T & G union truck drivers who will scab and take any work offered. There are also simply too many people who don't give a damn. In the government's favour too is the fact that they can fall back on existing stocks (now down to a total of 3m tonnes of pit stock and only 3m tonnes of coal and gas) on NACODS capitulating after a couple of weeks or so. In the long run, even if NACODS do return at some point, the government can not fulfill all the power requirement from now until Spring. Therefore the government will end up deciding whether to go for moving stocks from the strikebound pits or to concentrate on imports. Already the NCB has stockpiles of coal bought and waiting to be shipped over in the USA. Whether that is the route the NCB, with government connivance, choose or whether they need to do for the country the same thing as in the US labour movement has its fair share of scab problems too, the NUM could appeal - it probably has done so already. For all movement to be blacked by the US truck drivers union, their dockers union and the US seamen union. If the NCB can get around that blockade then the government can plan to meet a couple of weeks of demand by buying goods and as the last docks strike in this country, it may feel confident that there will be enough scabs to receive and transport the coal at this end.

The rest of the world market is open for grabs, although in Australia supplies have also blacked since the commencement of the strike. In the USA things are a bit different though. Many pits have been closed (in part, to MacGregor who, back in '77, as head of the Amex Corporation - the biggest coal company in the USA - pushed the union law there) and, with the help of a private army from the Wackenhubt Organisation, called Emergency Protection Services, intimidated strikers and eventually scored an enormous defeat on the union - the UAW - firing wholesale many thousands of miners who refused to knuckle under. The result was that Amex decided to close some (along with some of the biggest fields in the US, and was able to introduce a no-strike pay bargaining system, called the 'Incentive Grading System', whereby pay is determined not by demands but by market forces.) All coal mines in the USA are privatised, many de-unionised. Coal workers are therefore all blacked by the NCB without them experiencing any problems, that is until they try and get it moved or until they try and get it shipped over. Between the decision to sell coal to the NCB by the US coal companies and its arrival at the power stations, lie many 'owner—drivers' who don't care what they are doing. The NCB has to close, so already - for all movement to be blacked by the US truck drivers union, their dockers union and the US seamen union.

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At Grimesthorpe village violent erupted for three days after police, on the orders of the NCB, arrested 22 locals for expropriating coal for domestic use and their families from getting coal. In the past the tradition of taking has always been observed without any trouble and villagers were angry at the provocative way in which the police acted.

During the violence a police station was attacked by, according to some reports, a crowd of around 70. Stones were thrown and windows smashed. Later, when the raiders observed catching with joiners to board up the windows, they were attacked once again. The press claim that the attackers were wearing hoods. A mechanical digger (worth around £30,000) was later set on fire and there was also an attempt to set a colliery boiler on fire.

At a 'moratorium' called by the South Yorkshire Police Authority (Labour controlled) the STFW leader condemned the violence and was jeered. One miner stood up and told him that it was simply a case of David taking on Goliath (ie, the miners versus the state).

At Woolley Colliery (Barnsley) one cop was injured in the face — according to the press he had been struck by a dart held in the hand.

At Tow Law open cast mine (private) three police vehicles were overturned and two were set on fire. The main fund raising point for the Return to Work Action Group and have also handled some of the current legal cases against the NUM. The National Working Minors Group is another organisation set up with Ellis, Fernery and shepherd help. The NUM hopes to set up rival unions.

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SCAB HAULERS - MIDLANDS

Haulage Ltd: Spryston: St oke Transport: Downhills (3 Middlegate, Newark), has set up a Chris Butcher Fund, handled by a firm of accountants, Parker & Co of Old Eerton.

David Negus, a solicitor working for the National Working Miners Committee, has set up the £200,000 fund against the NUM to be paid by the NUM execs but out of NUM executive's pockets and he is looking into this possibility prior to taking further legal action. The National Working Miners Committee also wants the NUM executives to pay NUM members compensation for allowing the strike to continue, even though the courts have declared it unofficial. They are contemplating taking out writs for losses on behalf of striking miners who insist they are too intimidated by the NCB.

Another scab organisation is the Notts Labour Action Fund, coordinated by solicitors Ellis, Fernery and Shepherd of Market Place, Nottingham. The main fund raising point for the Return to Work Action Group and have also handled some of the current legal cases against the NUM. The National Working Miners Group is another organisation set up with Ellis, Fernery and Shepherd help. The NUM hopes to set up rival unions.

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Scab Backers

Continuing on from our article in the last Black Flag, we have detailed some of the solicitors acting on behalf of 'working' miners groups and scab hauliers in the Midlands area (also courtesy of Derry Aggieon).

NCB HQ mail is being redirected to a post office box number at Cavendish Square. (London WC2). The blacking of mail to NCB HQ was temporarily lifted recently when a scab post office driver arrived with mail one morning. A picket tried to stop the delivery but the DMM worker in the Post Office, got the blacking resumed within hours and the driver reprimanded by the union.
Power Stations

At Cockenzie power station, near Edinburgh, capacity is reduced to half. Many workers there are refusing to handle material taken through picket lines.

At Aberthaw power station, South Wales, coal stocks have run out and workers are refusing to handle scab supplies.

At Fiddlers Ferry and Bold power stations, on Merseyside, no coal is being moved by the plants' T & G members.

Dumping Scuppered

The government was forced to back down from their planned dumping of nuclear waste in the sea after seamen and dockers at Falmouth refused to allow the special dumping ship, Discovery, to disembark.

The NUS—the seamen's union—has already prevented the ship from sailing once. Now the T & G workers have stepped in to prevent it sailing a second time. The government argued that the ship was not going to dump waste but was involved in a 'feasibility exercise'. Same difference.

COAL NOT NUCLEAR POWER. PITS NOT BOMBS

CALDER HOUSE

Pits have been occupied in Scotland by miners who are unable to continue with their work but who are not in sympathy with the 'townies'-led struggle. The government has been forced to back down from plans to use nuclear energy for electricity generation.

In the aftermath of the Brighton bombing, guests at the Grand Hotel left their possessions hurriedly. The police station gymnasium was afterwards packed with ladies wearing 'expensive evening dresses, watches and jewellery' waiting for them to be claimed. This Aladdin's Cave spoke eloquently of the new claims of the Tory Party, being pushed sedulously throughout the week, to be a representative 'people's party', and including a "working miner and a working miner's wife". Presumably the latter had no claims to any of the expensive dresses or jewellery lying around in the gym.

According to miners picketing the Coal Board HQ in London, over 1000 police uniforms (received as part of an original order of 2900 by Kent Constabulary) have been delivered to the army at Connaught Barracks, Dover.

SOURCE: Clydeside Anarchists

Coal Import Sites

Most likely wharfs near power stations to receive imported coal are:

- Kingsnorth, Tilbury & Thurrock (Essex)
- Longannet & Cockenzie (Firth of Forth in Scotland)
- Llanwern, Newport (Gwent)
- Fiddlers Ferry & Bold (Merseyside)
- Aberthaw (South Wales)
- Trawsfynydd (Gwynedd)
- Whitehaven (Cumbria)
- Heysham (Lancashire)

Camel - Laird

A 24 hour strike was carried out by up to 9000 council workers in the city of Liverpool in protest of the jailing of 37 strikers arrested after taking part in a 14 day occupation of the Camel Laird Yard at Birkenhead.

The strike resulted in the closure of most of the City's schools. It was called by the CSPU, the union with which the 37 are members.

The strikers are incarcerated in Walton Gaol, imprisoned for 28 days for Contempt. At their arrest they did not give in easily. Police stormed the rig, where the pickets had hidden, but were met by stones and cans of paint. There was also a stand off with a destroyer, HMS Edinburgh. After the arrests over 900 scabs crossed picket lines to go to work. The company, meanwhile, has made no concessions and the union leaders are only seeking the usual arbitration.

ANDREW BRADLEY

The Derbyshire miner sent to prison for 'criminal damage' and currently in Sodbury Open prison has had his sentence reduced to 6 months.

BESETTING WORKMEN

Strikers from Shirebrook, Derbyshire have been sentenced to 3 months in jail under 150 year old law against 'besetting workmen'. More await trial.

CLYDESIDE

Despite the protest by the Communist Party to manipulate and censor their collection for striking miners, local @ then went on a piper led march with 9 coffins (for murder victims of S. African cops) in the Glasgow business district.

IAN RICHARDSON, who took part in the occupation of the Price Waterhouse Govt. bailiffs office was charged with breach of the Peace, and released on bail. At a protest about animal liberation on Saturday 5th October he was arrested for Breach of Ball. He refused to plead guilty and was held in custody! He also has medical problems yet received no treatment in Barlinnie prison. The breach of Ball has been used against miners, to prevent further picketing & is a 'breach' of our rights!

Messages of support to: I. Richardson Prisoner No. 8077, Block C, Barlinnie Prison, Riddrie, Glasgow.

Contact Clydeside Anarchists, 64 Queen Street, Glasgow for more news and to help the 37 pickets charged after the workers sequestration of the PW offices. They come to trial on 12th December.

"Leave it out, Gau. This won't keep the lights burning".

SOUTH WEST ANARCHIST FEDERATION

BRISTOL (produce Vyestria Anarchist-feminist magazine & 'Part of the Union/A Year and a Bit' by Peter Kemp). Bristol @ journal — both 30p) c/o Box 010, 110 Cheltenham Rd, Stokes Croft, Bristol BS1.

PLYMOUTH (produce Splash local paper) c/o 115, St Pancras Ave, Penryn, Cornwall PL2 3YL.

MEDWAY DIRECT ACTION MOVEMENT

Have produced three photocopy pamphlets: WOmen WORKERS & TRADE UNIONS 10p LENIN & WORKERS CONTROL 10p ANARCHISM & FEMINISM 30p Also available Red & Black Types monthly bulletin of Kent Libertarian Society (a free A4).

Available c/o 107 King St, Gillingham, Kent.

EAST LONDON DIRECT ACTION MOVEMENT

Now meets regularly, alternate Wednesdays, 7.00pm at 84b Whitechapel High St London E1 (in Angel Alley).

Hindes Gears

The dispute continues - now in its 18th month! Must be a record for a strike. The pickets are staking a strong pit stance and are appealing for financial support. The union has now cut off all strike pay and the Social Security are refusing to cough up too. To help funding the pickets have just made a record called 'Part of the Union/A Year and a bit'. Available from record shops.
November 5
Several readers have enquired about the origins of the leaflet entitled with the land mailshot. It comes from the Stop the City London Co-ordinating Group who through negotiations with other areas and national form of action, get support of the miners etc. The tactic of local area activity won the day as many people did not want to travel/be arrested so again anything.

Keep Ahead
As a back-up against the harsh polices on Stop the City, the idea seems to be quite prevalent amongst pissed off. There isn't surely any point in any
organising another kamikaze STC another 6 months: it may start up in your own area. Tactics of lock-guerrilla, window smashing etc throughout the area and country backed up with letters to local papers and graffiti explaining the motives would surely be far more effective than one day in the City that is easily contained. Unless we step ahead of the cops we achieve anything.

Stop the World Campaign

Birmingham STC
The organisers were arrested the day before creating confusion about the meaning of the leaflet etc. A van with 4 people going to B. STC on the day (Oct 11th) were surrounded by police in a car park. They were arrested and were held for 2 hours, while being told they could not go. Apart from that we have little information, if the organisers or any participants can let us know what happened it would clear up a lot of rumour.

Edinburgh STC
A mini STC of 50 people undertook to do some mischief at a bank and a walk in the city, but this was quickly removed. 2 people stencling have been charged with criminal damage and are being scapegoated for all the people's activities who go away.

A Personal Viewpoint
Stop the City
Arrived soon prompt - chatted for half an hour - met up with Animal Libitarians and the organiser of the leaflet. The only information is that such jamers certainly were used, both in March and on Sept 27th. The devices made were small and located up a few miles, and this is on a very local level. The problem was that they had to be switched on and abandoned (under the new telecommunications laws) for deliberate jamming) and therefore due to their cost could not be used at all that widely. However the jamming did succeed in confusing the cops and getting lots of publicity.

December
A lot of pacifists are saying there is too much violence - the only violence I saw came from the pigs and I would say that violence - don't fall into the media trap - think before you criticize. Committing this media bias - "talking to the pigs", "opening the door to the pigs", etc. - you have six months until the next time to do that.

To Organisers S.T.C.: When printing posters, how about printing one .

Re: Resistance!

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Banks Revealed
Following on from the Spies For Peace article published in the Flag some time back, Free Deep In Shit have released a list of government backers in the north-east of England. These are reproduced below showing grid references: so brush up on your map reading skills.


Good hunting!
Spain

CNT-AIT Occupation

On 22nd September 1984 at 12.30 midday around 50 CNT-AIT militants (CNT- Spain's anarcho-syndicalist organisation) occupied the former premises of the AIS* on the Via Layetana in Barcelona. The squat was carried out as part of their campaign to force the Gov't. to pay compensation to their organisation for the premises. Franco stole from the CNT at the end of the Civil War. They are also demanding to be compensated for the subsequent loss of union dues which would have been paid to the CNT after 1939 if it hadn't been made illegal as an organisation. The building was abandoned after a few hours and there were, surprisingly, no arrests.

* The Trade Union set up by Franco after 1939 to which all Spanish workers were obliged to pay monthly dues to.

News from Carabanchel, Madrid

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Source: Solidaridad Obrera

Letters of protest to: Spanish Embassy, 24 Belgrave Square, London SW! Messages of solidarity to: Jose Digon Balaguer; Sotero del Campo Baz; Guillermo Marin Gaitan; Alain Drogu; Apartado de Correos, No. 27007, Madrid 28080, SPAIN

Ireland

Patrick Fagin

A prisoner in Arbou Hill Prison, he is going through a rough time because of his political activities. A good friend of mine from Irish anarchists in prison, it is believed he will not be given any parole on his eight year sentence.

Patrick recently took out legal action against the prison authorities but this only led to further intimidation. The latest incident - and a typical example of prison pettiness - has been a ban on his correspondence with his leather-work (a traditional 'hobby' allowed for most prisoners in Ireland). Donations to Patrick's legal costs can be sent to the Anarchist Black Cross and we will see it is forwarded on. Also you can write to Patrick (why not place orders for his leather-work? - postal orders/cheques should be made payable to P. Fagin and be sent by recorded delivery to: Patrick Fagin, No.3683, Arbour Hill Prison, Arbour Hill, Dublin 7, Ireland.

Murrays Appeal

Please don't forget to help out. Your money is needed. Remember in Ireland there is no free legal aid. If you helped in the original Murray campaign after their arrest, well here's a chance to help out again and to do something useful for them. Beg, borrow or steal. There is £5000 to collect.

Chile

Santiago was plunged into darkness when guerrillas succeeded in blowing power lines. Several other cities also had their power immobilised. All the attacks took place at the same time as part of a well-organised coordinated plan. The power failures immediately brought about street looting and sabotage, included a regional office of the CVP (one against the South African Consulate and the other against a company with SA dealings). We have since learned that the bombings were claimed by a marxist armed struggle group known as the Fighting Communist Cells, the CCC. So far the group has been extremely successful (the Honeywell bombing got Y

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South Africa

As the rioting continues and becomes more widespread, troops have been brought in to Soweto to crush the resistance. What has emerged is that there has been over 500 killed and hundreds injured as a result of the police violence over the last four weeks. In the townships the government controlled local councils (the bulk of which is up of black collaborators) have been completely rejected. Many now no longer exist. At least four councillors were killed during the riots by locals and many more have been forced to leave. The homes of several black councillors have been firebombed.

There is also news of 32 blacks who have been 'disappeared' by the author- ities when they were captured by the police.

N.B. In the last issue of the bulletin we referred to two bombings in New York (one against the South African Consulate and the other against a company with SA dealings). We have since learned that the bombings were claimed by a marxist group, the Red Guerrilla Resistance.
There are people on the campsite from 0-90 years. Some go for peace and quiet others just to feel easy. The older people have led interesting lives it’s a pity its not being written down. Appelscha is easy to reach from Amsterdam. Day tickets on the buses are the cheapest way to travel far in Holland (5). If you decide to travel by train, a little bit far there is no discount ticket barrier so you’re supposed to buy it at the station. Ticket collectors on the trains are common but sometimes you can be lucky and not meet one. If you do, be polite, explain you thought it was okay to buy your ticket on the train. Play the stupid tourist and it should be alright. This doesn’t work on the trams or buses.

**BELGIAN ANTI-MILITARIST STATEMENT**

A Belgian anarchist Stefahe Arnould has come out publicly and refused military and 'public service' (the conscientious objector alternative in Belgium), he has sent us a statement about his reasons for this action; readers who wish to read the full english text contact Black Flag with S.A.E. those who can speak French can get in contact with Sustain Committee, Philippe Arnould, c/o F.A.L. Rue des Artilsens, 7, 4400 HERSTAL, BELGIUM.

**APPPELSCHA**

Appelscha is a small village in the North of Holland with a history of anarchist activity. It was one of the poorer parts of Holland with much unrest amongst the people. A group of local anarchists used to meet in and around the woods of the area. In 1933 they got together and bought some land about 1 mile out of the village. Apart from the war years it’s been used since. The place is influenced a great deal by Domela Nieuwhuis a well known Dutch Anarchist who died in 1919. Because of this no booze is allowed on the campsite.

**DRINKING WORKERS THINK NOT.**

**Drinking workers think not.** Drinking workers think not. Thinking workers drink not. Its the only real "law" about the place but no one cares too much if you drink else where.

There is a large meeting hall on the site which seats about 100 people. In the hall are many books and mags etc but when I was there, there were none in English language. So if anybody is thinking about going there take a look with you. On one occasion there was a council meeting going on, there is Pinkster in June. A Dutch bank holiday, Anarchists from Holland, Belgium and Germany all meet up.

**IRELAND**

In the inner city suburb of Cabra the police used batons to clear the streets of stone-throwing youths who burnt out a few rich cars, including a Mercedes-Benz to make barricades.

Youths who have stolen rich, fast cars joyride them in races in Cabra much to the outrage of the cops and some locals. Quite a few locals do however turn out for the races late at night and the crowds get too large for the cops to ignore. Media coverage attracted more people to the area in search of fun and youths as young as 11 stoned the cop cars that turned up.

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**TANGERINE RADIO**

**Correspondents Note:**

A prisoner whom the Orlando ABC has been corresponding claims that his mail has been tampered with, but he received one letter without incident because stamps were enclosed. He feels that the prison authorities/censors did not want a Federal charge on offence to be charged against them. **Source: Orlando ABC**

**Bloody Ambassador**

"Dr. Rudolf Jestaktiv has blood on his well-cared-for Ambassador hands" was the headline of a red handbill, thrown at the opening of a German exhibition in Arhus, Denmark during the annual Festival week. And "blood" he got - all over his clothes and face, and even a bag of red paint at the feet of the German Ambassador.

In the handbill-text, the action is explained as a protest against the treatment of Renate Berger, who is being silenced by the authorities. According to this, the Russians have been fighting against German imperialism in the 3rd world, against nuclear power, or been squatting houses. Violence against both the crowds and the police - not bombs, leaving visible marks - but isolation, manipulation of facts and lots of medicine, to brainwash the prisoners and discarding them.

These methods are used internationally now, and prisons officials around the world have open access to see results in Germany. **Source: Ekomena**

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We are reprinting Thoreau's essay on John Brown because it seems, in years since its last publication in Canada - in 1963 - that much confusion has arisen among many of us who seek social justice through the cultivation of a better world. We have seen organs of civil disobedience, terror-stricken over the possibility of violence, refuse to defend "untrained" protesters who are among those named on an official sit-down list. We have seen extremists barricaded inside an outport of a waterfront dockside and denounced by responsible leaders, directing their own idea of civil disobedience outside. Now, can such acts of non-violence be categorically applied to all who have resisted, and who continue to resist, Western civilization and its unwavering drive to dominate nature and conquer and militarize new peoples?

Those of us already wrong to have resisted settlers and cavalry with violence? Are there pacifists left enough to pass judgment? Although environmentalists, socialists, and people of all walks of life have resented and revealed that even the earth that furnishes their watchword is impermeable to them. They are the mob, who, when Thoreau said, "So much thronged with the mob!"

Those who harp back to Civil Disobedience (Thoreau's own title) and civil disobedient would have the following pages to recognize that Thoreau's call for disobedient acts and resistance was not bemused by questions of violence or the level of motive or purpose behind the acts and conscience. "The question is not about the weapon, but the spirit in which you use it.""No man has a (free) to man - (free to prison). Available from: C.P. 282, Suce, "E", Montreal, P.Q. H7T 3A7, Canada.

Open Road Issue 17, Winter 1984, $1.50. 16 pages plus Resistance, $6 page insert with analysis of the Peace Movement in Germany by the Revolutionary Cell - Rebel Zone. "The Rolling Stone of the Anarchist movement" returns with an excellent issue. International news of anarchist and libertarian liberation at home and abroad, tips for "urban guerillas". From Box 6135, Station G, Vancouver, BC, Canada V6R 4B5 or better bookshops.

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EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

The military had, as pointed out, already taken the initiative. To translate that initiative into a form of action is but one more step, requiring a "human treatment" of the justification and the sanction of all parties (and the trade union bureaucracies perhaps) to agree to restrictions on anti-state activities to the extent of "personnel democracy". Under such circumstances the bait set by the IRA may very well have been snapped up, especially with the rise of the new inexperienced, right within the ascendant New Dictatorship, who would assume power (as they are in the process of doing now) to tighten the repression even further.

Whatever the lessons to be learned - it's not often that a British Cabinet is close to getting whipped out - for those in the anti-state struggle, the class resistance, there remains one other, equally crucial, question. That is, given such a crisis would have been fully prepared to take advantage of the situation and effectively exploit the weakness of the Class Enemy when at their weakest?

After all no one can deny that the moment when central government receives a fatal blow (from whatever quarter) should also be a signal for those of us intent on organizing a rebellion to rise up without exposing ourselves to any unnecessary weakness, to widen the attack further. These sorts of opportunities only occur now and then. As the IRA said in their post-attack communiqué, "We were unlucky, but remember we only have to be unlucky once; you (the British State) will have to be unlucky always."

To waste such opportunities is a luxury we can ill afford. The lesson is simple: organisation and preparation. And expecting the unexpected.

EMANUEL GOLDSTEIN

N.B. Last year a comedian brought the house down at a Tory rally when he asked the audience, 'When answering the S.O.S. message "Let's bomb Russia!" to enormous laughter and applause. Hearing of protests that it was not too funny to talk about bombing millions of people, Mrs Thatcher shouted, 'Oh well let's make a Division of honour was. Someone evidently shares her sense of humor and brought the house down with a bang this year too.

Black Flag "You should have seen what they did to our bathroom!" - Thatcher, still pissed.

Researchers Needs Help

I am interested in hearing from people in regards to the conditions of Women Political Prisoners in West Germany. I am in the process of gathering information for a research-paper. There is very little information available about prisoners in Germany, less about women. I will share this information through many means, letters/formal analysis or short articles.

I'm 32 years old, serving a sentence of unknown length (several life tops & then more years from the Federal Gov't. impossible to calculate). These charges & sentences all stem from a purported attempt to aid prisoners escape and shoot a police officer (two of us were charged). Since arriving here at Leavenworth I have been attending University classes and I am a Dean. Since I believe that the plight of women prisoners and activists has been understudied and supported, I am focusing on their conditions. Though perhaps fewer than males, their work and efforts are usually of greater impact than an equal number of males. There is no doubt that women political prisoners have been and continue to be treated differently than males and in some cases have much harsher time - because they challenge stereo-types and norms.

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Any help on info is greatly appreciated, letters, documents, articles, names, sentences, referrals to support groups are all well gathered information in the USA.

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GERMANY
Horst Stowasser

On the 30th April this year, the West German anarchist publisher and journalist Horst Stowasser was found guilty of "insulting an officer of the Federal German Army". Three years earlier, the officer in question, a Lieutenant-Colonel called Breidsprecher, had accused one of its journalists of being a "professionally trained murderer", but the case was thrown out.

This time, Breidsprecher and the self-confessed 'Defence Minister' Worner had accused another of its journalists of writing an article criticising comments made by Breidsprecher and other army officers in an interview. Breidsprecher proudly proclaimed that he would have been prepared to drop the atom bomb on the people of Hiroshima in 1945. At the same time he said that peace protesters should stick to non-violent methods. (Somebody should have told him that even non-violent protest is 'violent' according to self-confessed 'Interior Minister' Zimmermann). Horst pointed out the hypocrisy of these comments and went on to describe armies as "organised violence", the "art of soldiering" to simply be to kill people. For these comments, Horst found himself once again in court.

At the trial, the judge did not deny the truth of the alleged "insult" but said that he was prevented from libel. According to the judge, "self-criticism" should have been applied to the article. What he really meant, of course, was self-censorship - he clearly told the court that libel was being used to silence the free expression of a personal opinion in political debate, and was paid for by dictation of language so as to make it impossible to criticise the military without risking prosecution. This has serious implications for those who resist conscription and who have to give their reasons for doing so.

Horst has appealed against his sentence (£220 or 35 days inside and more with each day) and the case continues.

No Bolt Holes
For Genocidal Generals

The bunker was re-occupied on March 26th as an action of solidarity with the original occupiers who were evicted on that day. Eight people were charged with obstruction and criminal damage. Five of these were found guilty at High Wycombe magistrates' court. The other three were found not guilty. All five who attended court were fined £25 for obstruction, £25 for criminal damage, costs of £60 and ordered to pay £450 compensation to Taylor Woodrow. This amounted to £112.50 each. Overall costs of the action at Naphill, fines etc, has been about £850.50. Hence we are organising several fundraising activities and donations would be appreciated.

NAPHiLL UPDATE

In Black Flag Quarterly VII No. 6 we reported the occupation of two 200 ft cranes and the partly completed bunker at HQ Strike Command, Naphill. Since the first occupation of the site in March, a long series of court appearances has been taking place. Outcome so far is, the two men who climbed the cranes were found guilty of criminal damage. One was given a conditional discharge and ordered to pay £50 costs, the other was fined £35 and ordered to pay £50. Three people who occupied the bunker on the same action were found guilty of criminal damage and obstruction. Two were fined £25 with £10 costs, the third was given probation and ordered to pay £50 compensation to the site contractors Taylor Woodrow.

Cliff Hanger

Dr Alan Clift's evidence caused many to be convicted of murder and sent to prison for heavy sentences. Fortunately there is no longer the death sentence in the UK for murder or he would have many deaths on his conscience. Now he is discredited and disgraced and those released whose conviction was due to his absurd forensic 'evidence'.

Squats Hold Out

As ever the anarcho-squatters of Amsterdam have been busy. Apart from attacking tourist boats and rich hotels they have created a new symbol in the battle over evictions. The beautiful canal house at 1,200 delegates from all over the world, as the treasurer and business manager of the International Association of Forensic Scientists, Conference spokesmen explained it was time to deal with this and it would have been impossible for another officer to combine it with normal working. Fortunately for forensic scientists, police sheep and imaginative geniuses who make up the bulk of the forensic experts that so representative a gentleman is available. Civil Defence exercises involving more than 800 ROC bunkers began.

Some financial compensation has been made but what can be paid for years of suffering - not only of the convicts but also of their relatives? Dr Clift has paid nothing and suffered nothing. But he has had to retire early. Time hangs heavy on his hands. So he organised the mammoth conference of forensic scientists. Conference spokesmen explained it was time to deal with this and it would have been impossible for another officer to combine it with normal working.

...Restor & Mhd Sumar

On October 28th Nationwide Civil Defence exercises involving more than 800 ROC bunkers began.