

FEEDBACK New Publications

NOTTINGHAM ANARCHISTS have great pleasure in announcing another attempt to get NOTTINGHAM ANARCHIST GROUP off the ground. Whether it flies or not is largely up to you. A meeting has been arranged for FRIDAY 29th of APRIL at 118 MANSFIELD RD. NOTTINGHAM, starting at 8PM. Friday is a rotten night on the telly so why not come along?

STREET OMELETTE CHARGES FUND

During Thatcher's visit to Foresthill Scot. last September people demonstrated their support for the health-workers' pay claim and opposition to Tory policies. Eggs met Thatcher's car cavalcade. Police charged and arrested 4 people. Now 2 of those people have been fined £100 for "Breach of the Peace". Donations towards the fines to M.Vallance c/o Boomtown Books, 167 King Street. Aberdeen.

The Defence Minister Heseltine was knocked to the ground at Newbury and the P.M. harrassed at Oxford by hostile crowds so it still seems nobody is that safe...

Southern Anarchist Conference (excluding London @'s (Huh!-typist's note) To be held in Hastings on the weekend of Friday 29th/Saturday 30th April/Sunday May 1st. Further info. from Andy, 18a Markwick Tce St Leonards on Sea. East Sussex.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRIBUTION

Although 'Grapevine' bookshop in Cambridge has closed, its services are still available through a local book/journal/paper distribution scheme. Details of the scheme can be obtained from Box A, 186 East Road, Cambridge. 'No Choice', a largely anti-militarist newsletter produced by anarchists, is available from the same address.

CONTACT WANTED

We are locked down in our cells 23½ hours a day. Any type of reading material you could spare to send us would be very welcome: RALPH BALDWIN No. H-9009, Box A, Bellefonte, PA. 16823. USA.

DEFENCE ACTIVE

A publication about Action Directe and other groups from 6 rue de la Reine-Blanche, 75013 Paris, France. They also put out a brochure about A.D., its manifesto. They say: *ACTION DIRECTE is an anti-capitalistic and anti-authoritarian organisation - it is a communist organisation, it has nothing to do with the Marxists who massacred the workers of Kronstadt, Ukraine and Catalonia.*

PRACTICAL ANARCHY

Clydeside's Anarchist Newsheet. Available from 488 Great Western Road Glasgow. for a S.A.E.

SUBVERSIVE GRAFFITI

Aberdeen's liveliest paper will be holding a public meeting at 12 noon 30th April, WEA, 163 King St. Aberdeen, for those interested in Subversive Graffiti.



GRR! AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T NOTICED WE'VE GONE FORTNIGHTLY!

SOIL OF LIBERTY

30p From PO Box 7056 Powderhorn Stn. Minneapolis, MN 55407. This issue contains an interesting interview with Sam & Esther Dolgoff about 60 years of Anarchism. Together with REFRAC this group has put out the book WITH THE PEASANTS OF ARAGON, by Augustin Souchy, which records the remarkable achievements of collectives during the Spanish Revolution of the '30s.

CITIZENS INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

The Investigative Researcher's Handbook. Compiled and Edited by Stuart Christie, is available from BCM Refract, London WC1N 3XX at £5.50 for the paperback. For library info ISBN 0 946222 05 3

For the Spanish book £2.50.

WINSTON ROSE FREED

A Jury took just 5 minutes to acquit Winston Rose, 20, on two charges of assault upon two Brixton Police Station Detectives. Detective Sergeant Farr said: "It is highly probable that my closed fists might have come into contact with his (Mr. Rose) face."

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K. Miras

HUNGER STRIKE

An anarchist march took place in Pireaus to protest at the torture and 'suiciding' (murder) of prisoners in Greece. During the march a motorist tried to drive through the crowd with the intention of wrecking the march. The car had one of its windows smashed. Comrade Photis Danatos was accused and arrested. Two other comrades, Kyriakos Miras and Giannis Longovitis (who had kept his case separate from the others) were later charged, despite lack of any evidence. Comrades Danatos and Miras were charged under the harsh 4000 Law (hooliganism), a law which the socialist PASOK promised to repeal, but which is still used against anarchists.

During the trial both comrades refused lawyers and defended themselves and their ideas and they charged that they were being tried for their anarchism. They were finally sentenced on the 23-3-83, Danatos for 12 months and Miras for 14. The comrades immediately began a hunger strike. Kyriakos Miras has taken part in many previous hunger strikes in prison, and was imprisoned with Philip and Sofia Kiritsis and Gianni Scanthali in '79 - '81. In the past with the comrades just

mentioned, Miras took part in hunger strikes of 53 days. The state has not forgotten this and the rearrest and sentencing is an act of pure revenge.

International solidarity is vital, please write letters (whatever language), demanding the release of Photis Danatos and Kyriakos Miras to:

(Ministry of Justice)
YPOURGEION TIS DIKEOSYNIS,
YPOURGON DIKEOSYNIS,
ZINONOS 2, ATHENS, GREECE.

(RESPECTABLE NEWSPAPERS - NOT ANARCHIST)
ELEFTHEROPTOPIA,
KOLOKOTRONI 8, ATHENS, GREECE.
TA NEA,
CHRISTOU LADA 3, ATHENS, GREECE.

Source: The Friends of Photis & Kyriakos

GROSVENOR DISPUTE

The tribunal has ruled against the staff, deciding that the workers were not 'regular' staff, despite the fact that some of the workers had been employed by Truste Houses Forte for over 25 years. Grosvenor can now say they were in their rights to sack the workers arbitrarily. The Tribunal ruled on a test case of 3 of the strikers which sets a precedent for the other sacked staff and for hundreds of other 'casuals' employed in the catering industry. The Grosvenor Hotel workers were originally sacked for joining a union and demanding contracts of employment. Part of the problem of the strike is that Forte have their own non-unionised suppliers, so that pickets have been unable to stop supplies. The State has also intervened to stop media workers showing solidarity, and lastly an injunction against the pickets has stopped supporters from joining the picket line. However the union is appealing against the Tribunal decision and pickets are still out on Park Lane. Contributions: Strike Fund, Pam Gudgin, c/o 4-6 Dukes Rd, London WC19AD. Source: SOUTH LONDON DAM

NEWS BULLETIN

FORTNIGHTLY

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Inland-£9, Overseas-£17 (airmail). These rates include all fortnightly copies of the News Bulletin as well as the Quarterly. The next Quarterly is due out soon (end of May, if we're on schedule). If you want to guarantee that you get a copy, take out a sub. Likewise if you're still on the old subscription rate, don't forget you will still get your Quarterly (if your sub is still current, that is) but after the next one we will not be able to send you any more News Bulletins.

The Bulletin can only continue of course so long as there is support for it. So if you can't get it from a reliable outlet, get it the easy way and **SUBSCRIBE!**

MAY DAY

We are hoping that there will be a strong anarchist presence at this year's May Day events in London and elsewhere, of course. One suggestion, that anarchists meet at the Upper Heyford Air Force Base, is a bit early in that the main protests are now to take place in late May. A meeting to examine the possibilities of forming a London Anarchist Federation is taking place at the Metropolitan Pub, Farringdon Rd., London EC1, at 8.00pm, on Saturday 23rd April. One proposal to be put forward will be on and around anarchist strategy on anti-militarism, and developing alternative tactics of action to those used by the peace movement and the left. It will also be put forward that London-based anarchists-and anyone else - will be forming an anarchist contingent in the official May Day march. It starts from Tower Hill and ends at Victoria Park. We hope to form a sizable contingent to the march-meeting at the black flags at Tower Hill Tube. We will be going to criticise the Labour Party and the unions, and what they represent. When we get to the park we will set up a forum away from the trots and the official stand. We hope that many comrades will be selling anarchist papers on the march. Finally, we hear that the 'Peace Convoy' people - they are the ones who have been done for damaging property at the Greenham Common Base - are to hold a picnic on May Day in Regents Park at 1 pm near the blown-up bandstand.

Aims of Industry

In response to a recent government paper on proposals to curb union powers and industrial disputes, Aims of Industry - a far-right propaganda organisation, funded by big business - has come up with several proposals of its own as part of its official response to the paper. Among them are two that deserve mention in that they could very well be taken up by the Thatcher gang if and when they grab control for another term of office. Namely that unofficial strikes should be deemed official after 7 days, in order that the unions can then be made responsible in case the employer wishes to take out an injunction or sue for loss or damage, etc. Also that workers in essential industries should lose their immunity from any civil action taken against them if they strike. The latter proposal is, in fact, an extension of the Tories own proposals and has already been examined in principle with British Telecom the first industry in line.

Aims of Industry funds many projects each year to counter union and other industrial activity. Its current list of sponsors include Sir Frank Taylor (Taylor Woodrow and English Electric), Michael Wates (Wates Ltd) and Colonel William Whitbread (Whitbread Breweries). Other sponsors include senior directors in the following firms: Allied Breweries, Distillers, Trianco Ltd, The Spectator, Allen Brady and Marsh Ltd, Occidental Petroleum Ltd, London Brick Co., etc. A complete list of names and addresses of directors/sponsors can be obtained from Companies House in London. Alternatively readers can obtain the list on request by writing to ASDNN, BM Hurricane London WC1N 3XX.



Class Struggle Hull DAM

Beneath the Streets

British Telecom engineers are no longer servicing the exchanges at the Bank of England or at Whitehall as part of their campaign of indefinite selective action against privatisation. Its good to see selective action used in this way. One sabotage technique which we are sure they will not employ is to destroy completely, but temporarily, a banks' (and for that matter any admin or government office) telephone and computer link-up. Both are located under the streets and can be found quite simply by looking out for a square lid with the letters P.O. on them. You can find them everywhere, not just outside businesses or official buildings. The lids can easily be prised open - you're meant to use a special key, but a crowbar will do - and to do it in daylight hours is of course out of the question. Once the lid is off the quickest and most economical way of destroying the contents is to pour inflammable liquid over the cables and connections and throw in a match not forgetting to stand well back and to make a hasty retreat. The cables are not only the telephone links but also the on-line computer links (now incorporated within BT's transmission system) to other banks, HQ's, and other departments, etc. Their disablement will mean a temporary-possibly a week or longer-disconnection and loss in business. But as we said it would be surprising if at this stage Telecom workers were to resort to such direct measures.

Source: Buzby Berkeley

Bosses Ireland

The CBI, together with the Labour Relations Agency (North of Ireland's equivalent of ACAS-the arbitration board) are pushing for a curb on the right to strike in the province. A document, published by LRA and based on CBI (Confederation of British Industry-the employers organisation) proposals, is currently being circulated for discussion. The deal on offer is that unions would be given in return a guarantee of pay comparability with jobs in Britain. On the other side of the border things are going in the same direction. There the court injunction system is used automatically to prevent strike actions and the arbitration mechanism has become the norm. Resistance to injunctions, however, can prove successful (see the last Bulletin

Burrowing to the top

Des Duffield is vice-president of South Wales NUM (National Union of Mineworkers) and Emlyn Williams, the president, was about to retire. To grab the local presidency, Duffield had to retain an NUM locally elected position. Unfortunately he happened to be the lodge secretary of the doomed Lewis Merthyr mine. His enthusiasm for organising the unofficial occupation of the pit a few weeks back was therefore not too surprising. Meanwhile, on hearing of the unofficial action, Williams went berserk as he saw it as a direct challenge to his authority and to the Union Executive. At first

he refused outright to support the action and insisted on a ballot. The ballot came out in favour of a strike and Williams was forced to accept the action as official. This now, of course, meant that Scargill, the NUM president, had been excluded from the decision-making process and he too was furious. Hence, the make or break national ballot which Scargill knew would come out against the strike action (many other fields were not under direct threat and, more importantly, the tactics of confrontation through the mediation of the Union Executive are being questioned by the rank and file). By tying in the question of whether or not the local action

in south Wales should continue, to that of the mineworkers support for a national campaign against cuts, Scargill had created a situation whereby inter-field support was, unless channeled through the NUM Executive- unlikely. A vote against national action became a vote against local action. The NUM Executive would prefer the miners in South Wales-and anywhere else for that matter-to wait until the NUM is ready to launch a centrally controlled national campaign. But many lessons have been learnt and Scargill may not always have the Des Duffields and the Emlyn Williams around to rely upon.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS - INTERNATIONAL

RAF

Adelheid Schulz has been charged with the murder of Hans Martin Schleyer, the German industrialist and ex-SS officer, and also with being involved in the killing of Jurgen Ponto, another leading industrialist. Schleyer was originally taken hostage as a means to bargain for the release of Baader, Raspe and Ensslin and 9 other Red Army Fraction prisoners. But Schleyer was executed after the Stammheim murders. Retaliatory actions also took place throughout Europe: at least 20 bomb attacks against German businesses occurred in Italy, several more took place in France, in Greece 4 guerrillas attempted to bomb a German owned factory, and in Washington the George Jackson Brigade bombed a Mercedes-Benz car dealership issuing the following slogan: 'You can kill a revolutionary but you can't kill the revolution.' All these actions took place in 1977. It is now 1983 and solidarity and acts of support are no less needed than they were then.



TURKEY

Selim Duzgun and Nesat Tolunay are typical of the thousands facing repression under the regime in Turkey. Both are political activists, campaigning against the current state of affairs, publishing and distributing propaganda, etc. Nesat's family have suffered badly. In 1979 Nesat's uncle was assassinated by members of Turkey's National Action Party, a fascist organisation. More recently another of his relatives was executed - this time by the forces of the State. A third is awaiting execution. Both Selim and Nesat are at this moment in London as refugees. However the Home Office has refused to grant them political asylum and they could be deported back to Turkey - where they await either long prison sentences or death.

DEATH LAW IN GERMANY FOR TURKS

Turkish solidarity groups, Hocck-Der and Der-Sol Colerrimci sol, are being banned in the interest of 'National Security'. The Turkish Govt. has pressured the German minister of The Interior Zimmerman to deport anyone involved in these groups. The German Govt. which has for a long time worked with the Fascist regime in Turkey (eg. giving £200,000 for weapons and tools of suppression for the secret service) may carry out deportations. Such persons deported to Turkey will face death. Protests have been carried out, there have been demonstrations and the occupation of the Turkish Consulate in Cologne. Lists of those involved in anti-fascist German organisations have already been published in Ancora.

ITALY

JUAN SOTO PAILLACAR

Juan Soto Paillacar, a Chilean exile fled his homeland to escape the military repression in 1973. After journeying through Argentina and Cuba, he reached Italy in April '75. On 8 April 1979 he was arrested on charges of membership of Azione Rivoluzionaria and, after a series of trials, sentenced to a total of 16 years imprisonment. His defiant stand rather than any particularly damning evidence seems to have determined his sentence. Prior to his arrest Paillacar, had had to work in the black economy, on building sites. An accident at work resulted in the tearing of his knee ligaments (both legs). Operations prior to his arrest partly restored the use of the left leg while the right remains all but useless. Neglect of his condition in prison - where he has sampled the notorious "special regime" - has moved a collective of fellow inmates at Fossombrone to issue a statement publicising his plight, the neglect of the authorities and medical officials and calling upon all to ensure that Paillacar is seen by a skilled physician and guaranteed the necessary treatment, exercise and operations.

On several occasions doctors have suggested that the best thing would be for him to seek treatment in Lyons (France)..an option not open to him, given his prisoner status! He has resisted all pressure to turn grass, or at least to disassociate himself from others as the price of his being properly treated.

His fellow inmates recommend that a campaign be now launched to have Paillacar granted provisional liberty on medical grounds or to cut through the politicking that surrounds the proper treatment of his complaints.

(Umanita Nova, 10-3-83).

SOMETHING ROTTEN IN THE STATE OF DENMARK?

While the Media have concentrated on the Danish politician, millionaire-and fishtrawler-fishing-rights dispute the strike wave there received scant mention. From mid-December to mid-February major strikes -unofficial and unsupported by the Danish T.U.s- paralysed Denmark's docks and fishing industry. Resistance to a 40% cut in unemployment benefits paid to casual employees on short-time was the fuel. Police attacked with dogs and made arrests. The Army was used & the Courts declared the stoppages illegal and imposed fines on individual workers and their unions. After 2 months, during which a Copenhagen docker was run-over and killed by a strike-breaking lorry, the workers were forced back to work. The cuts have been postponed for the moment.

Source: Subversive Graffiti & A.S.O. Denmark.

The strikers gained international solidarity: Swedish dock workers refused to handle goods to and from Denmark, likewise dock workers in Southampton and Hull; there was a boycott of Danish goods in Barcelona and Tenerife.

GREECE LATE NEWS

The Anarchist hunger strikers K. Miras and P. Danatos have been transferred to prison hospitals where they are continuing to refuse food. For Kiriakos Miras this is his fourth hunger strike in four years. Both comrades have been victimised and attacked by the pigs in the last few years. A Solidarity committee has been formed in Athens and meetings, marches and leaflettings are taking place. Now more than ever our support is vital please write to:

*The Ambassador, Greek Embassy,
1a Holland Park, London W11
Minister of Justice, Ypourgion Dikaiosinis
Zinonos 2, Athens, Greece.
K.Miras & P. Danatos, Korydalu Prison,
Piraeus, Greece.*

AMERICA

MINIMUM SECURITY - 1984

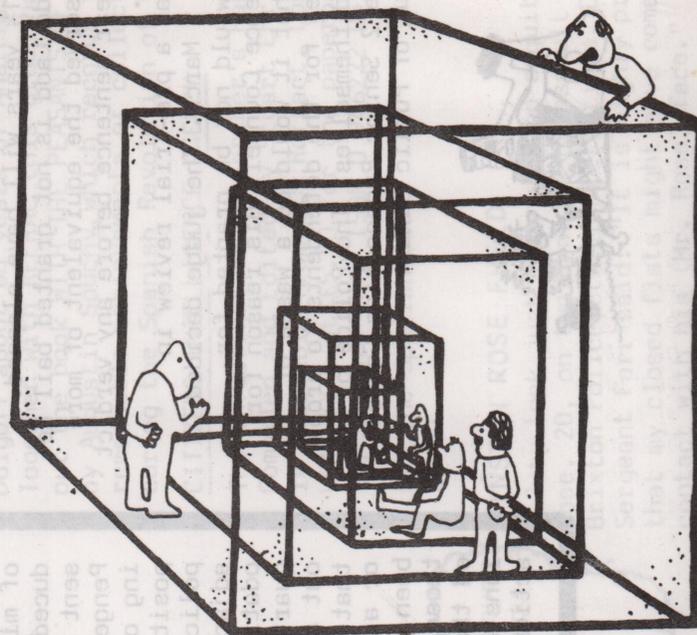
A method for reducing the prison population was revealed on the television programme 'Tomorrow's World'. A necklace which has a device linked to a central computer is programmed to monitor that you only go to the zones designated by the State ie. work/dole office/school/hospital/shops/home. If you try to remove the device or go to an area not 'allowed' an alarm is set off... Some state authorities in the US are considering local applications and a British study is also said to be under way.

Source: Calverts.

In Albuquerque, meanwhile, we learn that petty criminals who serve their sentences at home under a special order, will be required to wear an electronic watchdog to verify if probation conditions are being met. The device takes the form of an anklet which emits an electronic signal that is then picked up by the wearers home telephone. The signal is then relayed to a computer which works out if and when the wearer is at home. No doubt the local lefties could interpret this measure as a means to deprive probation officers of their jobs-but thats being a bit cynical.

Source: ASDNN

N.B. The US Civil Liberties Union is welcoming the proposed drop in prison population. Probation Officers, however, are concerned it may mean more job cuts.



SOUTHERN IRELAND

Brian Stack, prison Officer from Port-laoise Jail was gunned down by armed men on a motor-bike. He is the first prison officer to be shot in Southern Ireland for a very long time. No groups have claimed responsibility. Meanwhile vigilantes from the 'community' have been rampaging about Dublin in response to media Crime-wave shock-horror. A recent case of the death of a gay man for which 3 men were acquitted ended in a 'victory parade' against homosexuals.

HOFFMAN CONSPIRACY?

Both the gunning of the Goldenbergs Restaurant last year in Paris (resulting in several deaths), and the aborted bombing of a parking lot beneath a well populated family apartment bloc in Germany (occurring last year simultaneous with several Revolutionary Cells-RZ-actions), may have been a part of a near successful campaign to discredit Left and anarchist guerrilla actions. The car-park bombing, together with several attacks on US personnel in Bulsbach, Fechenheim and Darmstadt (the latter resulted in the injury of 2



Ian Souter-Clarence

drivers) are now known to have been undertaken by the neo-Nazi group, Hoffman. Two Hoffman group members, Tillman and Kexell were discovered at the Dorset home (8 Overbury Road, Parkstone, Poole) of Ian Souter-Clarence (ex-SAS, also Column 88, Eidelweiss, etc) and are now held by the W. German police. At the time of their actions in Germany, the German press accused the RZ. Although they did not claim the responsibility the story stuck. At the time the RZ were also engaged in a campaign aimed at US military targets and therefore it was not that unfeasible to assume their involvement.

More recently, however, it is known that Kexel was actually in Paris at the time of the Goldenbergs Restaurant gunning and he, with persons unknown is considered to be the prime suspect. Again the action took place immediately, after a bombing campaign undertaken by members of Action Directe aimed at the property of leading Businessmen who

Walter Kexel

had been helping to finance the state of Israel. (This campaign took place in retaliation for the massacre of Palestinian refugees by Israeli and Phalangist troops.) The Hoffman actions bore typical fascist characteristics in their design to be horrifically spectacular and so guarantee a strong 'shock horror' response in the press. It was disappointing to find at the time many anarchists in France neglecting to question what was really happening and to take things at face value. Resistance and counter-resistance inevitably sometimes go hand-in-hand. But that should not mean that we should necessarily lose our sense of reality when things hot up. Many anarchists in

France accused AD of turning towards Maoism, but their actions (and at the time we said they should speak for themselves) had been totally consistent, both in degree and in form, with what they had undertaken in the past. There were no contradictions. At the time the fascists scored in two ways. Not only did they sow the seeds of confusion (which appear now to have dissipated) amongst the Left, but they succeeded in hitting a target very much aligned to their racial and nationalist ideologies. In other words the justifiable campaign by the Left against the Israeli State provided the ideal backcloth for the fascists to attack similar targets but in the name of anti-semitism. With additional actions undertaken by a third party—a breakaway group from the PLO—the scene was set for Mitterand to introduce his anti-terrorist measures. NB We learn that a third member of the Hoffman group, who also stayed at the Souter-Clarence home, and who was also with Kexel in Paris, is in hiding in Britain.

A LETTER....

Dear 'Black Flag',

It is sickening to see your fortnightly "News Bulletin" include a bad write-up of a misleading straight-press report. Worse, that it should be ascribed to Reading @s: many of whom are involved in producing an alternative local fortnightly newspaper with far more accurate reports of the matter, and at least one of whom has direct experience of many of the events which occurred at Grrrenham last July 9th.

It is particularly unfortunate in the light of misreporting by "Peace News" and the "Radiator", and the sad fact that very few publications have reported it at all.

One young man, who admitted to being involved in smashing the fence, was sentenced to three months in a detention centre.

Another, who freely stated his presence and his beliefs but who denied taking part in the damage, was imprisoned for six months. In court, he explained how he believed in expressing his belief in Anarchism in peaceful ways, with music and theatre. Despite (or because of?) this, he was found "guilty" of criminal damage.

The others freed after this case at Reading Crown Court. For more details, see 'Red Rag' of 11th July '82 and 6th March '83.

The more Spectacular reports of stone throwing, of clubs, of threatening the police, were given prominence by the 'Reading Evening Post,' but were no more than Prosecution allegations made on the first day of the trial and at no time supported by any evidence given during the trial.

It is shameful that you should have further perpetuated this "abortion" of our history.

Another Reading Anarchist.

Note: The author of this letter did not send us in any copies of the 'Red Rag' either. Would the real Reading @s please stand up? Both letters were anonymous.

Scotland

A youth was found dead in his cell at Longriggend Remand Institute near Airdrie. Twenty-year-old William McGlinchy from Paisley was found unconscious in his cell at 12.50am. on Sunday night. He was taken to Monklands District General Hospital, but was found to be dead on arrival. The matter is in the hands of the Procurator Fiscal.

This borstal was the scene of trouble some months ago and 'reforms' followed to make people think that the situation was improving.

Source Strathclyde @

Wales

There will be another demo in support of Dafydd Ladd in Cardiff on Saturday 30th April. It will assemble at 2.30pm outside the Empire Pool, Wood St (City-Centre).

The trial will begin in Cardiff on 12th September 1983, before High Court Judge Farquarharson. This means that between the first arrests and the trial, more than 1½ years will have elapsed.

If Dafydd Ladd is not granted bail he will have served the equivalent of more than a 2 year sentence before any verdict is reached.

There was a pre-trial review in Cardiff on 9 March. The judge decided legal aid would not be granted for Senior Defence Counsel. His reason for this was that it would be a waste of public money for the defendents to properly defend themselves. The Police of course have 2 Senior Prosecuting Counsel paid for out of Public Funds.



Letter Bomb Corner

A few days prior to the government announcement that voluntary slave-labour for 16 year-olds in the guise of military service is to be introduced, an army recruiting office was sent a letter bomb. The office is in Penge, south London. Many Army recruiting offices have prominent High Street positions and are often close to a police station. Also, they are generally adjacent to shops with residential accommodation above and in some cases living quarters above the actual office and let out as a flat. It is interesting to note that no one has claimed responsibility or at least such a claim has so far not been publicised in the press—and that those involved have presumably concluded that with certain actions explanations are not always necessary. The action speaks for itself.