BATTLE OF STONEHENGE - THE TRUTH

INTO THE VALLEY OF BLOOD
DROVE THE 600...

As we go to press, reports of a cover-up over a possible death have come in. These reports are as yet unconfirmed. Matters have yet to come to a head. The following is based on an eyewitness report.

On Friday 31st May, people began gathering in the Salisbury Forest, ready for the convoy to travel to Stonehenge the next day for the annual festival, which had been banned by a court injunction. Another gathering point was Amesbury, two miles from the stones.

On early Saturday afternoon, 200 vehicles set off for Stonehenge. The first sign of what was to come was at a roadblock of gravel lorry and police vans at the junction of the A303 and A346 roads.

RIOT COPS TO THE LEFT

The convoy of buses and vans turned off the main road, and down a minor road which was the only exit. Then they tried to drive around the police vans, through a roadside hedge. It was rammed by a police van, while another police was blocked it from retreat. As more of the convoy broke through the hedge into the now-burning bean field, a large convoy van drove straight at the police van which had blocked the road, smashing it completely as police leapt over for cover, and the other police van was trashed.

Inside the field, the van which had been carrying around the field pulled up, and a tense situation emerged over everyone, as they knew they were being surrounded by more and more police, which they had already seen set for so far.

Meanwhile, at Stonehenge, 300 Hell's Angles, who had met at Amesbury, attacked police barricades and managed to ram through them and get to the stone. This withdrew numbers of police from the scene of the bean field - most of the bikers were arrested soon after.

RIOT COPS TO THE RIGHT

After a full, when numbers had increased to the overkill proportions they needed, approximately 1,000 riot police attacked the convoy. Armed with batons, shields and clubs, with round and long-shielded, they kicked, beat and restrained the people trapped in the bean field. The police from Wilts-Hampshire, Thames Valley and London. People saw a woman and her four day old baby dragged through broken glass from a bus windshield which had been smashed by police batons. Police threw stones at the vans, and chased them as they tried to drive off to escape the oncoming. Young cops dished 12 year olds with their batons as the police systematically smashed the vans. A photographer was arrested when he tried to take a photo of a small boy, whose face was covered in blood, being beaten up. Some of the vans were set on fire by the police, after they had dragged the occupants out to be beaten and taken to waiting police vehicles.

One cop was so interested in one of the vans that he became detached from his undercover, being dragged along with it. Police leapt aside as vans careened at them. A police helicopter, hovering overhead, broadcast the ultimatum: "Leave the field, be arrested as we come after you" and "in the end, they were beaten and held in custody on twelve day 'care' orders.

AFTERMATH

Over 520 people were arrested and dispersed to police stations as far away as Bristol. Children of the convoy were kidnapped by the authorities and taken into custody on twelve day 'care' orders.

After being charged with unlawful assembly, grievous bodily harm and assault, most people were released on Monday morning. The vehicles were held in Everleigh, and everyone who believed the way there was in breach of their bail conditions - which were to stay 25 miles away from Stonehenge.

Only 12 vehicles were released on Monday, and these had been completely sabotaged by the police. Wiring had been ripped out, radiators had been damaged before they had been driven by the police, to cause overheating, food and money had been stolen and barometers had been put in the drinking water, and spread around inside the vans. Toys were destroyed, clothes ripped up, food scattered on the ground. Twenty vehicles had been smashed up completely and eighty vans were being held for evidence.

MINE SEND AID

A local woman passing the pound abused the police and told them they were leaving the convoy alone, and that local people were happy to have them in the area.

Local farmers gave the campers diesel, and another motorist stopped one van and gave them food and £10. Local response was great.

The context

The attack on the convoy was clearly predetermined and deliberately brutal. Following the same draconian tactics used at Moleworth last February when over 4000 troops, police and MoD forces undertook the eviction of the Rainbow convoy from the Stonehenge site, the police again kept in reserve and once again, using the same kind of "mutual aid", "shared aid" during the miners' strike, the National Riot Police were brought into action. The convoy threatened no one and the attack on Salisbury Plain was an act of planned attrition. Perhaps, though, what is significant, is that millions of TV viewers, although disgusted by the violence they saw on the news, have accepted the level of police brutality as "normal", especially in its coming in the wake of the miners' strike, when whole villages were tossed off.

Additional to all this is the revelation by Nick Davies, a journalist, that the convoy people had been approached weeks earlier by Les Vaughan, a well-known neo-Nazi (now living in Salisbury, providing legal advice to local groups and to English Heritage on arranging injunctions against the convoy people), who placed the part of an agent provocateur, by trying to off-load semi-automatic rifles on to them at a knock-down price. Vaughan, who has also been involved in setting up local vigilante groups against the convoy people, is a well-documented trouble-maker, having a long history of involvement in CND, the BUF and running in Ulster Loyalist circles. Obviously, he probably, the police too, hoped that the convoy people would accept the guns, and they would then have well and truly been set for. As it was a set it was small and Vaughan was chased off. Had he been successful, perhaps the armed police who were at the battle might have found just the excuse they were waiting for to start a bloodbath.

As with the miners' strike, when the establishment attempted to label them "enemies within", it remains to be seen if the attempts to militarise the convoy people as "agitators, drug-taking hippies", will isolate them from their active, and not just passive, support. Below is a statement issued by the convoy people.

NB The person found dead has been traced and is seriously injured. There is still one woman missing.

The Peace Convoy, a group of peace-loving travelling people were heading for the annual mid-summer Solstice festival at Stonehenge on 21 June when they were trapped encircled and violently attacked by a large force of riot police. Their homes were smashed, some burnt out beyond repair and they (including young kids and pregnant women) were forced through broken windows and beaten with batons.

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Join the walk if you care about the freedom of our people to live, gather and celebrate the festival of life in peace. If you can't make all of it do what you can.

UPATED NEWS (01) 701 3500 for 6pm.
NUM WAVER

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SOURCE: Jacqueline

ATTACK

Following close on the heels of the Gillick decision in the courts—which effectively removed the entitlement of women under 16 to contraception—comes Powell’s proposal on abortion rights. The Unborn Children (Protection) Bill is supposedly intended to control human embryo research without concerning abortion. The fact that Powell’s Bill defines life as beginning at conception. Although the human embryo is no more than a cluster of cells at that time, much of which is subsequently “flushed away” by menstruation, the anti-abortionist lobby will be able to claim that it is, from that point on, “human.”

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The last attack on abortion rights—the Corfield Bill in 1979—was defeated by workers who organized across their unions. Although anti-Powell Bill demonstrations brought out 3,000 people, the fight must be taken into the workplace and beyond. DEMONSTRATE: against the Gillick ruling on Sunday 23rd June. More information from: National Abortion Campaign, Wesley House, 70 Great Queen Street, London WC2, Tel. 01-405-4801

Philip Kane (Redway DAN)

HOME NEWS

BRUSSELS MASSACRE

A one-off incident of pushing a concrete block off a motorway bridge to prevent scabs getting through, and accidentally killing the taxi-driver, brought two lads life sentences, unexplained though it was. How it contrasts with the way the establishment is trying to get the perpetrators of the Brussels massacre off the hook or murder?

Bullyboyism has been going on for years in Football. It is international, and at the same time highly nationalistic. Forty-three Italian fans died because a wall was pushed over on them, to the intense delight of the English bullyboys, to whom cohens are a source of national security. The fascist groups unable to make an impression on the working class despite their ‘populism’; they may well have been helped by Italian fascists, too anxious to stir up the cadril and to whom ordinary punsters are expendable. The results are national (or racial) tension.

From everywhere there has rained a torrent denunciation, excusenotes and explanations according to preconceived ideas. Mrs Thatcher, eagerly taking up the attacks on football itself, and in particular the banning of alcohol (from around football grounds) and the ‘cheers’, has seized delightfully on the suggestion that cheap excursions faces be banned. This reinforces the image of the football ‘bullyboy’ as ‘depraved’ yobs from the inner city centres which left-wingers echo but demand understanding for.

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Attacks on football itself is a commercialised activity, a recruiting ground for the inner city centres which left-wingers echo but demand understanding for.

What they do is to give respectability to mobs and provide a climate in which the police can get police protection. Journalists will always glamourise bullyboy tactics with liberal invention, denigrate others, and swoon before the pretence of ‘yobboy’ like characters. They run unless provided with a police escort. When workers decide they have had enough they provided the sort of force that can make the Union Jack tattoo’s flash in Brixton and Toxteth where police provocation leads to an outbreak and people begin helping themselves to the luxury goods not normally available to them. It is a politicised game, as ‘fan culture’ itself is a commercialised game.

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HELP! HOW ABOUT SMASHING THE STATE THE NEXT WEDNESDAY
OCCUPATION ENDED

Riot police forced the end of a 19 month occupation at the SKF engineering plant at Ivrey. However a week later the workers reoccupied the factory and in the process successfully defended themselves against tear gas fired by the police in battles that lasted several hours. The occupation originally began when around 250 workers, armed with sticks and other implements, attacked a police cordon sealing off the factory. Every time the riot police moved, a new cordon was thrown up. The police in turn used tear gas. The workers occupied the factory once more and took over the building, while dice were thrown at tear gas. Finally stun grenades were fired and the police stormed the building. Meanwhile workers outside the factory barged through the stairs at the police. The roads were also sealed off with lorries to stop police reinforcements from getting in. Wisely, most of the workers were dressed for action, wearing safety helmets and other protective gear.

Eventually after several hours of fighting the police retook the plant for a second time. On this occasion there were more injuries inflicted on the police than the other way round.

TERROR EXPERT

Tan Greig, 'expert' on 'terrorism' and the revolutionary left, and a member of Aims of Industry (a forum funded by big business set up to smash trade unionism and to investigate 'subversives'), recently wrote in the Freedom Association's Free Nation, an article entitled 'Rehearsal for Civil War'. In the article he made an oblique reference to Black Flag, which he described as 'the most strident revolutionary journals'. It proclaimed the war in the coalfields as nothing less than a 'rehearsal for civil war'. The article went on to deplore the connection that he saw evident between miners and anarchists and the revolutionary left generally during the 12 month old strike.

Tan Greig is also a contributor to an Aims of Industry pamphlet on the Miners Strike, called 'Political Violence in Britain'. In that publication Greig has a section about how the strike proved to the miners and others with 'practical experience of building barricades, burning cars, the use of air rifles, catapults and concrete blocks, as well as bricks and bottles and of arson and intimidation' (sic) and 'experience has been gained in moving 1000's of men in motorised transport. The organisers have not only learned to use some CB radio bands but have also had experience in the interception of and disruption of police communications. Shocking!'

The editor of the pamphlet is Sir Alastair Sherman, a former Communist Party Commander in the International Brigade, and became connected with the KGB before going on to become an editorial assistant at the Daily Telegraph, a script writer for the Daily Telegraph, and a script writer for the Daily Telegraph. The pamphlet, subtitled 'Rehearsal for Civil War', is subtitled 'The Struggle Goes On.'

PETER GATES

Peter Gates, the building worker who was convicted of a picket line offence during the Miners Strike and sent down for 12 months, has now been moved to another prison. He can be contacted by writing to: Peter Gates (L33574), HM Prison Wayland, Griston, Thetford, Norfolk. Peter has been active in many struggles in the past, as well as the Miners Strike. He is active in a rank and file section of UCATT and has also been involved over several months in helping the women cleaners at Barking Hospital who have been on strike because of reductions in pay and worsening of conditions due to privatisation.

FROM KENT NUM

During our year long strike we repeatedly warned the Trade Union Movement that if we lost the strike then the Movement would suffer. What is happening to us can happen to you. The KGB will not recognise elected Trade Union leaders because they say they have been sacked. In fact, in a letter to us the Coal Board have even suggested that the elected leaders at Betteshanger be replaced!!

BY PEOPLE THAT THE NCB CONSIDER DOCTOR!

Our victims men - all no doubt blacklisted and facing a future on the dole - were sacked for exposing the NCB propaganda that said the strike had ruined the pits.

The occupation at Betteshanger was ended when Branch Officials went underground to explain what had been agreed with the management. THOSE OFFICIALS WENT UNDERGROUND WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MANAGEMENT: THEY WERE THEN SACKED! Scabs in another Coalfield occupied a pit and are still engaged.

The men who occupied the control room at Timlasstone were so diligent and professional in maintaining, monitoring and logging the equipment that the NCB bosses were continually in touch with the occupiers to check the systems.

THEY TOOK A SACKED.

Coal Board officials have stated that one of the reasons for the sackings was that the men had access to explosives. Well, if that was true, it is surely a credit to the responsible attitude of the men since they never tampered with the explosives or any other equipment.

INDUSTRIAL SCAB NEWS

At a recent Freedom Association dinner, the guest speaker was none other than Irene McGibbon, the National Organiser of the Women's Black to Work Campaign. On the same platform was FA chairman Norris McWhirter. McGibbon entertained her audience with 'shock horror stories' of scabs being intimidated in the wake of the strike.

According to the FA's 'Free Nation', Irene McGibbon has been receiving many calls from miners, as well as workers in other industries, who have served as scabs. In some cases, she said, local shopkeepers have been threatened if they serve scabs and over 203 of the 40 scabs from Betteshanger (Kent Area NUM) have left work for a long time. A stamped addressed envelope would be appreciated.

N.B. Jane and Gordon Fjaelberg (scab organisers, based at Gom Colliery) have had excreta and urine put through their letter box. After a campaign of intimidation Fjaelberg has resigned his job and has applied for a new one in the Notts Area, plus removal expenses. This has been refused.

JACK COLLINS

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DECOY DUCKS PART 2

The first to use the trick of using anarchist phraseology to cover authoritarian manoeuvres was Lenin; Hitler were vividly drawn to use this Bolshevik phraseology to cover the Nazi measures (this today is known as populism). Following the rapid growth of CND, the total decay of Liberalism and the need to confront the two major parties, the Young Liberals employed a variant of the populist con-trick as long as they could. 

Picking up gilt phrases from anarchism which were popularised through the nuclear disarmament movement, and the adoption by many of its leading activists of the label 'non-violent', 'anarchist', this was often by young Liberals of the time that this might make a break-through to their class. It was thought by some that libertarian phrases offered both a challenge to traditional non-conformist/teetotal liberalism and the existing wing of the Liberals, and the chance to 'capitalise' on the same. Some expressed this as 'Anarchism is to the Liberal Party what Marxism is to the Labour Party', thereby betting down of theories to suit mainstream politics. Unfortunately, ideas constructed by one class have a habit of becoming reactionary when adopted by another. The middle classes clearly did not become anarchists though many daringly spoke of anarchistic-syndicalism at Liberal conferences in the manner of someone saying fuck a psychiatrist. The Young Liberals took to 'community politics' and gradually matured not to the Liberals, but to the Labour Party.

This Young Liberal decoy duck has flown away and had no lasting influence. It caused nothing but slight annoyance, with a few of its leaders and anarchists alike. As Jo Grimond asked them, 'if you're really anarchist what are you doing in this party?' They could only have answered that they were looking for some second-hand ideas going cheap to clothe them for their careers, and the anarchist ones were the best going.

Though they have faded away, the problem of the decoy ducks remains. We dealt at some length last issue with the pseudo-Anarchists in the Labour movement, particularly the Young Conservatives flitting with a variant of populism -culling anarchist ideas on anti-statism and capitalist ideas of race, class, and open contempt for workers (they leave the real populism of claiming to be the horrid-handed sons of toil to the Nazi groups, according to Proudhon, a socialistic battle against the taxation of business, what appealed to the Young Liberals was genuine anarchism, but they couldn't see it working and if it could it would have been very far. Some floated the idea of 'permanent protest'-but by that time a whole new quasi-anarchist movement had developed out of Young Liberals, dismissed by Marxists, CND, and pacifists, something sometimes called 'the movement' or the 'left', or whatever, a package deal of everything, carried under the University and originally floated by the situationists. This amorphous left including the reformist, professional and grant seeking feminists, the sexual liberationists who came out of the closet into the hunting, and taking in almost every single reform, and not a few retrograde steps, as revolutionary. This exploitation of causes naturally gravitated to the Labour Party as a sort of extra-parliamentary pressure group, and usually made snide remarks about the anarchists because they were a bit ashamed of having pinched the ideas from them and translated these ideas into grant getting careerism.

It is this ragbag liberationism, rather than libertarianism which has since Thatcher, gone inside the Labour Party - recognising perhaps that the difference is only marginal, but the margin is one in which they could fit. Since the rise of the 'student movement' and the gradual adoption of Marxism-Leninism into the curriculum, the various brands of Marxists have proliferated, benefiting first by Student Union funding and then by council grants. There has not been so much patronage since the 18th century, and Thatcher's cutbacks have aroused somewhat more resentment among the left politicians because it is cutting the ground under their feet more than benefits to the people. Perhaps many confuse the two.

Those, who for one reason or another, continue to see Marxism as using other causes to get their noses into the trough. Having got their patronage, they are proud to have established their corner and boast of their little empires, which they are now defending against Thatcher's cutbacks.

What is now becoming the Labour Party apart from the traditional, cosy orientated working class party, led by right wing lawyers and trade union officials, has not only lost the working class in almost its entirety but has been taken on by the new middle class of former students, all capable of becoming MPs with degrees in sociology, economics and politics, and all needing to fit in somewhere. Place-hunting and grant-seeking has become an organised battlefield, as never before.

The trolleys have done well in this battle, for control of the Labour Party having realised that if a core of grades 'bore from within', they bore most people out, and control of the Labour Party, of fifteen people is enough to select an MP 'representing' tens of thousands of people. But organised Trotskyism has, not for the first time, dug its own grave, since it has now to contend with other groupings, repelled by their narrowness but attracted to their tricks, who want to use their

own minority status as an advantage in their personal career race, or to position them with a grant-aided empire of their own.

Despite all the wonderful ideas about liberation put forward to attract grants and show candidates to advantage, in which anarchists were asked about and the word sometimes daringly used, none of it will ever do more than cause Anarchists some minor embarrassment. The moment a whiff of anarchism is in the air it all goes with the wind, or the wind up. People who will support nationalist terrorism through thick and thin, remain dubious or how many people are killed, revisit instantly to non-violent scuffles when there is a suggestion of anarchism and where once high or low degree but individual, suffers the penalty at the hands of an assassin. That is 'putting us all in peril', whether poll or police view.

Among the politicians philosophical anarchism may have its false friends, but militant anarchism has its enemies. If you don't believe it, just try it. For instance, we need to look to the spirit of anarchism rather than doctrinaire Marxism, or something like that at a Labour Party conference (mild applause); and then afterwards go along and try and book a Labour Party hall for an avowedly anarchist cause.

QUESTION AND ANSWER ON ANARCHISM

Q. Do Anarchists view the Russian system as State Capitalism?
A. Some do. But as we see it, the system is Marxist-Stalinist. Any normal meaning of capitalism, Capitalism implies private property in the means of production, competition and gain, and in its 'pure' form, is totally ruled by market values. It is abolished by certain State measures e.g. nationalisation, so we have a modified form of capitalism we may call State Capitalism, say in Socialist democracies. But while there is a little of private ownership and profit in the marginal areas of the Soviet economy, basically it is State Communism. Those who advocate State Communism but who see perfectly well how it has been as oppressive as capitalism, may be classified as libertarian Marxists, not as anarchists. And then we have the study of the Russian Party today as State Capitalist as an excuse and an apology for applied Leninism. Anarchists always knew that communism - the working together of the whole of mankind, would lead to tyranny if it were like a pyramid controlled from the top. Equally, they advocated freedom as oppressive without common ownership. Russian Tsarist feudalism, with its equipment, was the same as it was in the Knouto-Germanic Empire, but certainly State Communism as classless is opposed to free communism.

As this is no longer a matter of progressive Marxists either go along with the pretence that Russia is socialist and a workers State, or claim (with the trots) that it has been turned over by its civil service. Against that has come the more advanced Marxists, led by Trotsky, and Marx and/or Lenin meant at all and that it is a State Capitalist. But it follows, together with the State Capitalists, that State Communism, perhaps distort-
RUN UP TO THE ELECTIONS

The long campaign by the Greek police to eradicate completely all subversive elements has underlined, under the Greek 'socialists' as under the fascist colonels. The latest campaign, as detailed below, was part of the run up to the elections.

In this present order campaign is an obligatory prelude to the election. The anarchist and socialist Minister in denominating the Greek police state while his own run amok is obvious.

1.10.84: Minister of Public Order (Police) Yannis Skoulikaris ('socialist') orders the police to start Operation Exarchia. Police arrest many people and beat badly passers by.

24.10.84: An open concert against State oppression turns out to be an open conflict. Police Minister Skoulikaris says he will exterminate all you. Youth Minister Kostas Laliotis says police contribute nothing to social peace of the area.

29.10.84: Officials of the Police Ministry meet with the Mayor of Athens, Dimitris Beis (Commu and the fascist). 10.84: Officials of the Police Ministry meet with professors of Athens University.

30.10.84: Anarchists gather in the building of the School of Chemistry of Athens University to discuss their defence against State fascists and fascists of the police forces, seizing the building (near Exarchia square) as well as the whole centre of Athens for three hours, arresting and beating people.

8.11.84: ELEFTHEROTTYPA (a pro-Government daily newspaper) publishes an article stating that the unknown to Spartakos has burned.

8.11.84: Comrade Stelios Ilioumis is murdered, by persons unknown.

9.11.84: Conflicts. Shop windows are broken. It's the anniversary of the events of Athens Polytechnical School of Nov. '73). On 17.111180 police beat to death comrades Koumis and Kostas Bakas (of the Anarchist State Fascists). On 22-23.11.84: Cops armed with machine-guns murder, by persons unknown.

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20.11.84: The Chief of the Italian Secret Service of Rome, Pietro Salini, is killed by persons unknown. The Roman police withdraw. The occupants and the comrades decide to leave. (Comrades had taken from the building if the police try to enter the Chemistry School. Many, round the police iron collar, many who are still at the street in front of the building. Other comrades occupy the building of the Law School. As the police withdraw, the occupations cover the whole area, letting no one to get near. Late at night, the leftists who had participated in the occupation, of the Law School decide to leave. Other comrades do also not leave, as they unable to hold the building.

11.5.85: In spite of the pre-election campaign for the National Front, the news of the occupation is on the front page of all Greek daily. Except ELXEROTHTYPA (pro-government) and AVONI (Comm. Party of the Interior), all the other papers ('socialist' pro-govt., the Right, pro-govt., anti-communist pro-government) hold the news responsible and ask the police to clear the occupation. Regardless of the fact that such action will be in human lives!

Comrades resist on in the Chemistry School. Some comrades, tired or not able to stay any longer, leave, but with the help of the government radio, they make molotovs. Police encircle them, and round the police iron collar, many who are still at the street in front of the building. Other comrades occupy the building of the Law School. As the police withdraw, the occupations cover the whole area, letting no one to get near. Late at night, the leftists who had participated in the occupation, of the Law School decide to leave. Other comrades do also not leave, as they unable to hold the building.

30.1.85: The 17th November group claims responsibility for the execution of Nikos Michalobulos, editor of the rightist daily APOGEVMATINI and of the Ministry of the Armed Forces (M.P.).

26.3.85: The twelve arrested are let out on bail. 14.5.85: Newspapers publish articles on the event. The NEK and VIMA (pro-government) and Leonidas Kyrkos (CP of the Interior, ex-member of the National Student's Front) publish articles with the Government and the occupants. The Government, according to the two negotiators go to the School of Chemistry. In the meantime the more than 100,000 people march against police and State Fascists or of the supporters of the anti-communists. Some comrades, tired or not able to stay any longer, leave, but with the help of the government radio, they make molotovs. Police encircle them, and round the police iron collar, many who are still at the street in front of the building. Other comrades occupy the building of the Law School. As the police withdraw, the occupations cover the whole area, letting no one to get near. Late at night, the leftists who had participated in the occupation, of the Law School decide to leave. Other comrades do also not leave, as they unable to hold the building.

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22.4-85: Cops armed with machine-guns burn a dozen 9's and leftist houses in the whole Athens area, murder, by persons unknown.

3.12.84: French fascist Le Pen visits Greece. He orders round the police iron collar, many who are still at the street in front of the building. Other comrades occupy the building of the Law School. As the police withdraw, the occupations cover the whole area, letting no one to get near. Late at night, the leftists who had participated in the occupation, of the Law School decide to leave. Other comrades do also not leave, as they unable to hold the building.

16.5.85: The new march against police and State Fascists attracts some 10,000 people, No conflicts.

17.5-7.85: The Press continues its attack against police and State Fascists. Several runners are seriously injured in a conflict with two or three officers.

One of the armed men is killed too.

17.8-5.85: Press, TV, Radio say the men were noticias. We believe that the attempt was a provocation by the State Fascists or of the supporters of the anti-communists. Several runners are seriously injured in a conflict with two or three officers.

Wishing you till the best,
Basil Karagiannis
8.5.85
165 59 ATHENS
GREECE.

Note: The police could not attack the students inside the University buildings, because it would have been a massive historical embarrassment. The last time such a thing happened was in November 1973, when the fascist junta sent in troops into the University of Athens to arrest the anarchists as a start of the Fall of the Junta's and of symbolic significance on Greece. It's simply too embarrassing for the 'socialists' to do the same, at the moment.
NETHERLANDS
STOP BUSINESS AS USUAL
FROM AMSTERDAM.

The idea behind 30th April, "Stop Business As Usual" was that it would be an international day of action. For this reason we decided to give people in other countries a short account of what happened in Holland.

In the night between 40 April and 1st May several action were undertaken in Amsterdam.

- At an office of Honeywell Bull windows were broken and slogans were painted on the walls. This while there was someone around the corner who had to guard the office.
- Some activists succeeded to climb on the building of Sperry Corp. (head office). (This is a five storey supermodern building, guarded by camera and night-watchmen). On the roof they poured ammonia and an awfully stinking fluid in the airconditioning system.
- Before leaving slogans (like "Sperry Stinks") were written on the wall. In a pamphlet the activists explained Sperry's role in the arms industry and their business with the regime of El Salvador.
- The same night a group of activists got inside a building of 'Amaxent' this is a subsidiary of the US mining company 'Anaconda Co'. Anaconda is, as stated in their pamphlet, one of the companies that made Allende's government collapse in Chile (Anaconda had been nationalised). It earns 1.5 million dollars a day out of Chile's copper mines. The activists destroyed valuable equipment in the office and ruined the central computer by pouring acid in and over it. The damage is said to be (as stated in some newspapers) 'several 100,000 guilders'.
- An action group caused a lot of damage at the head office of the firm Comprimo. This is a large firm which is active in the planning and co-ordination of the building of nuclear reactors. Action against them is very real since recently plans arose to build another four new nuclear reactors in Holland. The activists also accused the company of illegally exporting nuclear products and technology to South Africa. The damage was caused by smashing in the large thermopane windows and the glass entrance and throwing paint.

In another place, Ede, a group of people raided the modern building, guarded by cameras and night-watchmen. In 100 May the occupiers distributed pamphlets to the personell dept. Fokker isa firm that produces military night-vision equipment. Two fire-bombs went off on the roof of the building, but it seems that they didn't succeed, the damage was small.

Better luck next time!

W.GERMANY

May 1. Stoners and petrol bombs were used against the police in battles lasting several hours after a street festival in Berlin. Later roads were barricaded and banks were called in on bogus emergency calls and then ambushed.

May 3. The offices of a French arms firm were bombed in Cologne, also an arms firm in Koblenz is bombed.

May 4. The police attack a demonstration against Reagan. Special paramilitary commando troops, called in on bogus emergency calls and then ambushed.

The police had been prepared for the day too. This we could read from the newspaper who had interviewed them. They had been patrolling (even) more than usual and they had personnel occupying some buildings of multinationals. This means they were sitting there waiting for something to happen. Without success obviously.

In the city of Delft a luxurious supermarket, the C1000, was paint-bombed and had its share of slogans on the wall.

That was it.

Since then a few other incidents have happened.

- The building 'Siegel 114', which produces military night-vision equipment, was re-squatted for the sixth time in its history. The last eviction caused severe riots, which cost the city council at least one train, it was burnt out. The sixth re-squat was an action from people all over Amsterdam. When the cops came, the stones immediately found their way towards them and the cops had to pull back their guns and give warning shots. They had to draw backs, but then came back with reinforcements. Then the police started a riot, they threw stones, maltreated people and threw people into the canal. 4 people were arrested, 9 cops wounded and Singel 114 was ours again!

- An action group tried to set fire to the building of 'Deltel', which produces military night-vision equipment. Two fire-bombs went off on the roof of the building, but it seems that they didn't succeed, the damage was small.

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More news on the Philadelphia outrage when police, under direct orders from the City's Black Mayor, surrounded a house full of people, placed it under armed siege and then dropped a stun bomb on it, resulting in a conflagration that killed nearly all of the occupants and burned down all the houses in the block.

22 people were killed as a result of the fire and 53 homes were totally destroyed. The reason for placing the siege in the first place was because the authorities wanted to evict the occupants for not meeting health code standards! 'Violations' included charges of the occupants 'leaving their babies unclothed', they 'ate natural foods', they 'didn't send their kids to school', there was 'dog shit in the back yard' and 'worst of all' they 'didn't use electricity'.

The people who lived in the house were all Black, an wore their neighbours. The neighbours complained about - from their point of view - the eccentricities of this back-to-nature family who, according to them, 'were dedicated to the destruction of our way of life'.

To say Mayor Goode's response - and the response of the authorities generally - was primitive, is an understatement. It was an act of tribalism, an act that President Reagan was later to give his full support, in order to uphold law and order.

When it was clear that the occupants were not going to leave their home without a struggle, the police moved in and fired tear gas into the well-barricaded building. Smoke-bombs were used and up to 10,000 rounds of ammunition fired by the police into the house. This went on for nearly two hours, it was then that the bomb was dropped.

Afterwards one witness commented that if it had been a White mayor who had issued the orders to drop the bomb, race riots would have broken out. Another commented that it was strange that the authorities have never attempted to evict Kiu Kiu Kiu members, many of whom practice strange rites and who live in neighbourhoods close by. In the end protests were made, but not on the scale such an outrage deserved. The particular minority who suffered death in this 'mini-holocaust' were not a big enough minority to get the support other 'minorities' can muster. In terms of minority politics, they were expendable, 'unmarketable'. And so the police and the authorities acted with impunity, safe from widespread criticism. Had the occupants been 'normal' Black people, or a gay community, or a nationalist minority, or a 'recognised' religious order, then their 'import ance' or 'status' as objects of political pawns, might have been granted. Instead this was not the case: they were relegated to the bottom of the pile, unlikely to be made into martyrs or remembered.

LETTER

Dear Black Flag,

In your last issue dated 20th May you appear to have got the address at which Alan Reeve is presently incarcerated, wrong! Perhaps this is not the case and letters are forwarded from the address you gave or something, but I am in correspondence with the bloke and he says that all requests, he has received a reply from a totally different address.

I have been assured by the authors of his book that he will not be moved from his present address as it is the most "secure" prison in Holland.

The address is

Alan Reeve,
C/Vanged,
Scheveningen,
Holland.

And there is virtually no censorship of letters!

Although the proper authorities do take note of what is written and who is writing.

Cheers Ei.

Spiek, Upper Street, Islington, London.

INTERNATIONAL

PHILLY RIOTS!

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Eight people were arrested in Paris on December 8; seven French and one Italian comrade. Four of the French were known to be members of Action Directe, and one of these was a well-known supporter of the left in France. The other four described themselves as members of the newspaper "L'Internationale", which has published texts of guerillas in various countries, including France, Germany, and Italy.

During raids on houses in Paris, the authorities were able to seize documents and equipment, including some letters from Action Directe members. The authorities also arrested two of the suspects, but they were not allowed to see the letters or to discuss the case with their lawyers.

The arrest of the seven French suspects has been widely covered in the French media, and there has been much speculation about the role of Action Directe in the case. Some believe that the authorities are trying to silence Action Directe, while others suggest that the group may have been involved in some illegal activity.

The case is still under investigation, and it is not clear what the authorities will do with the evidence they have collected. However, it is clear that the authorities are taking a serious approach to this case, and that they are determined to bring the perpetrators to justice.
IN BRIEF

One Marcos Alson Selma on the "renovated" CNT (the split off) in which he states and from Stuart Christie with those of Freedom. Interesting to know where until one Anarchist/Feminist smashed a tomato into Protected by a couple of University officers. Point he decided to do a runner accompanied and Was pelted with gob, tomatoes, stink bombs for 2 minutes or so. He was unable to speak. It was at this point he decided to do a runner accompanied and protected by a couple of University officers. A group of Anarchists followed him, chasing him until one Anarchist/Feminist smashed a tomato into his superior Aryan face. This soon turned into a fight between Anarchists and Proctor's University officers who were protecting him. We returned to the lecture hall and spent the next half hour telling the University Information Officers to Fuck Off. While this scum talked about free speech we remembered that he'd attacked us earlier. No free speech for fascists! During this time there was a bit of class retribution carried out on a Tory boot boy (training army officer and son of Tory MP Christopher Mayhew). This was started by another anarchist/feminist who enjoyed punching him.

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Yours,
The Cherrytree Cutters.

COVENTRY ANARCHISTS

The address for the new Coventry anarchist group is: PO Box 125, Coventry CV3 5QT.

SINGER SHIRKER

Paul McCartney took time out this week to visit a teachers picket line. McCartney while bringing one of his children to a state school in Peasemarch, East Sussex, was given a information leaflet by one picketing NUM striker. Outraged after reading it, he shredded the letter to bit to "entertain" the onlooking strikers.

HEATING SYSTEM SUFFERS

Attempting to freeze house speakers out, the heating system at Parliament was sabotaged. Twenty-two gallons of anti-corrosion and cleaning fluid required by a rooftop heating tank was mischievously placed in a drinking water tank. One student one side in recovering from this accidental side-effect of the attack on the central heating system.

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LETTER FROM BRISTOL

Dear Black Flag Collective,

A bit of news for you from Bristol. On Friday 17th May, Harvey Proctor MP Member of Monday Club, WISE (a group who try to unite 'respectable' right wingers with Nazis) ie basically he's a fascist, visited Bristol University. Unfortunately, for him, we turned up. About 400 demonstrators, including 30 Anarchists were waiting for him.

We occupied the lecture room and began chanting anti-fascist classics such as 'Fuck Off back to South Africa, you Nazi c*nt!' When they brought him in, he was pelted with gob, tomatoes, stink bombs for 2 minutes or so. He was unable to speak. It was at this point he decided to do a runner accompanied and protected by a couple of University officers.

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PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

Germain No 50. (May 1985). Newspaper produced by the Trieste Anarchists. This issue has articles on Pietro Greco (a young Anarchist murdered by Italian police earlier this year), ecology, feminism and more. Price: 100 Lire. Available from: c/o Gruppo anarchico Germain, via Mazzini 1, Trieste, ITALY.


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The British Press, its lies and anti-union propaganda.
During the great coal miners strike 1984/1985, the
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Dave Douglass, the Hatfield Main NUM delegate,
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Syndicalism in Practice series.
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first produced for the Australian syndicalist paper
'Rebel Worker'.
Poland. Number 4 in the series including a short
history of the Polish anarchist movement, 1919-1929.
10pence

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121 Railton Road
ANARCHISM and FEMINISM
WOMEN WORKERS and TRADE UNIONS
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Women Workers and Trade Unions was first published by the Hull DAM in 1983. It examines the role which women play in the workplace and the blatant sexism operated by the vast majority of trade unions today.

SYNDICALISTS IN THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION
This is a 1985 reprint of the great syndicalist classic written by G.P. Maximoff and based on his first hand experience of the great events of 1917. The pamphlet deals with the struggle by the free workers organisations to keep the Soviets out of the hands of Lenin and his followers.

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