

CLASS WAR

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WOT A LOAD OF BALLS!



CLASS WAR'S NEW YEARS HONOURS LIST



After a fine showing of "Rural Riots" this New Years Eve, Class Wars' New Years Honours list goes out to the upstanding citizens of the many towns and cities around the country who gave the cops such a difficult start to the year!

BIFF



Knight hoods and handfulls of medals go to East Dereham in Norfolk, where 200 people fought off the police for over an hour, throwing bricks, coins, stones, dustbins and a 5 gallon oil drum. Four police cars were seriously damaged and seven cops injured as they chanted "Kill the Bill" and attempted to carry out what they were singing.

BASH



Several Earldoms and even more medals go to Falmouth where five cops were hospitalised and thousands of pounds of damage was caused when over 200 youths attacked the police.

Knighthoods go to Exeter, where a copper was concussed after 250 men and women taunted the old bill, hurling beer glasses at them and blocking roads.

HONOURS LIST LATE ENTRIES

Late entries for the New Years Honours List include a whole series of contributions from Saturday 21st January. Medals go to all those involved.

The best event of the night was at Market Drayton, Shropshire where four cops were injured and a police car was damaged as more than 50 youths fought with police outside a disco.

Also at Blackwater near Aldershot a car was overturned and a WPC was injured as 20 youths fought a pitched battle with the police.

At Poole, Dorset, a Police Sergeant was injured by a 'rowdy mob' in the High St.

At Newcastle F.C.'s ground a 1000 strong "Sack the Board" demonstration turned to violence as mounted Police moved in to break it up and were attacked with a hail of bricks and bottles.

In Knutsford on the 28th Jan a group of more than 70 people

BHAM



O.B.E.'s go to Portsmouth (3 police hurt) and Tredegar, Gwent (6 cops injured) and a very special medal for services to Animals goes to the people of Chudleigh in Devon where 3 cops were decked and a police dog was badly savaged by 2 pit bull terriers in a crowd that attacked the police. Nice One!



Missile... a brick lies behind the smashed window of a Dereham police car

Finally, last but not least, an honourable mention goes to Southampton where one cop got his nose broken and another injured his arm in a confrontation outside a pub.

Well, we hope all Class War readers had a happy New Year = lets hope it keeps going like this one started - with a long list of police casualties!

attacked the Police, trying to free a woman who had been arrested. An unhappy police Spokesman said "2 police vehicles were damaged, 6 shop windows were broken and a skip set on fire as the drunken mob rampaged through the street". Nice one!

Also on the 28th, six cops were injured in a street fight in Basildon involving 150 people.

Speacial mentions also go to the prisoners in Wandsworth Prison who've been picking off the cops drafted in while the screws are on strike. A broken nose here, a broken arm there - it all helps to ease the boredom!

Class War also awards the Superbowl to the people of Miami who kept up three days of rioting from the 17th Jan, attacking the Mayor and holding off armed police on the weekend of the Superbowl.

BOMBS

Bombs seem to have been big news in the media recently and from Abu Nidal to the ALF it often seems to be the working class who end up bearing the brunt of the misery created by this mickey mouse school of politics.

Just before Xmas the ALF made another great step forward by firebombing Dingles department store in Plymouth, burning the place to the ground. Ronnie Lee, once ALF press officer and currently doing 10 years for conspiracy, recently outlined the basis for this campaign by reasoning that the working class is too stupid and "wicked" to care about animal rights so the ALF (who know better of course) has decided to abandon "public opinion" and do the job for us. Presumably when they've succeeded in toppling British Industry we'll realise how thick we've been and thank them on bended knee. OH YEAH ?

DIRECT ACTION

Class War has never been shy of direct action, it's at the heart of what we stand for, but there's a vital difference between a fight that's based in our communities and workplaces and the hair-brained schemes of the balaclava brigade. Direct Action organised within the class remains in touch and in the control of the people themselves - we don't need another vanguard.

Another group thats developed a wreckless disregard for

working class people with their latest tactic is the Black Liberation Front, who used to organise brilliant ambushes on the police in the Wolverhampton area a while ago. Lately however they've been sending letter bombs to top cops. Letterbombs are just about the most stupid tactic in the world, they're more than likely to blow off some posties hands and one of the BLF's did actually go off in a Post Office before it was delivered. Stupid acts can turn resistance in to the narrow and ultimately pointless path of terrorism. If you lose sight of the community around you, along the way the working class will get forgotten about in the paranoia and obsessive secrecy of terrorist-type groups.

TACTICS

Now theres nothing wrong with a bit of arson (except geting caught!) as long as its done to the target in the right way, and while we support the BLF, we don't agree with their latest tactics. The media will always portray us as terrorists because we're not afraid to use violence, like most of the left is, but we've always been opposed to the arrogance of terrorist vanguard groups who have thinly veiled contempt for the working class. A combatitive working class doesn't need a "self appointed" armed wing to do its dirty work for it and thats what Class War stands for - a fighting class.

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**SILLY SUPERINTENDANT
SIMON STAINES STAGGERS
SIDWAYS STUNNED BY A
SAVAGE SLAP.**

SENSATIONAL

I'M NO PAYING

POLL TAX



10 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE POLL TAX

1. The first Poll Tax rate has been set by Strathclyde Council in Scotland at over £400.
2. If you are married you will be responsible for your partners payment of the tax. Even if you're not living with them!
3. In Scotland, although registration wasn't stopped it was delayed for several months.
4. The Queen is exempt.
5. People on the dole will have to pay up to £2 a week Poll Tax.
6. Labour councils will put you in prison for refusing to pay.
7. Poll tax means less libraries and swimming pools and more Town Hall paperwork.
8. Many O.A.P.'s will have to pay the full rate of Poll Tax.
9. Poll tax registration officers are being recruited by local councils at salaries exceeding £25,000 per year.
10. If we don't co-operate the system won't work.

Just when you thought it was safe to vote Labour again the Tories team up with the old enemy of the seventies and bring us a new blight on our pockets, which Labour Town Halls up and down the country are voting through with very little protest. With the help of poll tax collectors and registration officers employed by Labour local authorities our lives are about to be made a misery by the POLL TAX.

WHAT

So what is the poll tax? Over 400 pounds a year in some of the poorer areas of the country. No, but seriously, the government having failed to push local authorities into privatising everything that isn't nailed down has come up with a solution that can kill several birds with one stone (or one tax in this case). In order to stay popular, local councils will have to keep the tax low, in order to keep the tax low they will have to make massive cuts in services to the public, like libraries, schools, sports facilities, the list goes on. The only way to avoid these deliberate cuts is to do it by the back door, Privatisation. The argument being that all these can be provided by private business instead of out of the public purse. What a load of crap!

WHY

Its quite obvious to everybody that privatised industries work. they work to put plenty of profit into the bosses pockets. many councillors by the way are directors of the firms to which council work is hived off. for everybody else privatisation means falling standards, higher prices, and a lot less choice.

HOW

Of course local authorities don't have to make cuts, they just set a much higher figure for their areas Poll tax. Some so called left wing councils have come up with the idea that if they enforce the tax firmly it will deflect on the Tories making them even more unpopular. These people need a good kick up the backside, they intend to play political games with peoples lives, causing even more misery and poverty in the areas where a lot of them rule. the more soft toe rags in the labour party have organised the pathetic "Stop it" campaign, this is little more than a recruitment exercise, and is all the more dangerous because it gives people the comforting feeling that something is being done. Their resistance is a joke, they seem to be more opposed to non-cooperation and non payment than they are to the Poll Tax itself.

TANKS

We dont want to give the impression that nothing can or is being done about resisting the Poll Tax. In Scotland where the tax is being brought in first lots is being done to try and stop even the registration. In one town people organised street collections of registration forms and returned them all unfilled to the registration office. In North Pollok, local youths dumped forms in a fire after snatching them from fleeing canvassers. One registration officer was waylaid on a Glasgow estate and warned "NEXT TIME, COME BACK IN A TANK!" Community resistance groups are springing up all over Scotland, giving an inspiring lead to those south of the border, Scots are coming together in ever increasing numbers to loudly shout "I'M NO PAYING!".



• Beat the Bailiffs: the way your granny did!

HOW TO BEAT THE POLL TAX

1. Hold meetings in your street and area to plan resistance, around the central idea of NON PAYMENT. Make sure the campaign remains under the direct control of the community and all decisions are taken at open meetings.
2. Organise in local factories and workplaces. Don't forget the unemployed. Industrial action and occupations can do our fight no harm!
3. Organise demonstrations outside the local council offices and councillors homes, you can't be held responsible if they get burnt down.
4. Plan mass non-registration and mass non-payment campaigns.
5. Organise mass protection for non-registrants and non-payers. Even neighbours who have returned their forms can help: don't let the government divide and rule.
6. Get together with campaigns in other areas in your town ... co-ordination is vital.

**KEEP IT OPEN
KEEP IT STRONG**

**"NEXT TIME, COME
IN A TANK!"**

Carntyne Tenant to Poll Tax Snooper



Defiance in Glasgow

TEN YEARS OF THATCHER ...

WE SAY

Ten years of Thatcher misrule - many of us have forgotten there ever was a time without her ugly mug on the news everynight. It's ten years since the "Winter of Discontent", the great strikes against the cuts and vicious forcing down of wages that the last Labour government tried to bring about. The election that followed brought Thatchers Tories into power.

ATTACK

On gaining power in 1979 they began their huge attack on us, the working class. Our new rulers spurned the trade unions, who had failed to control us under the Callaghan regime. Having won power using slick advertising posters, carrying the slogan "Labour isn't working" with a picture of a long dole queue, they then proceeded to throw over 3,000,000 more people out of their jobs. Those left in work were made to carry on under ever worsening conditions. The idea of running down industry to produce a weakened working class was the the chief aim of the Thatcherites. Where the Labour bureaucrats had failed, Thatchers smart suited yuppie executives were determined to succeed.

What followed was attacks on our living standards, our freedom of movement, our ability to enjoy life and what few choices we had left. All directed at making us miserable divided and weak. From Eddie "failed newspaperman" Shah at Warrington, Ian McGregor at the NCB during the Great Miners Strike of 84/85, to Rupert Murdoch at Wapping, we have seen a newly confident enemy with a greater willingness to use brute force to knock us back into our place. We have quietly grumbled, sometimes taken a small stand, but without the sense of our power as a fighting class.

Ten years ago it would have been hard to see us accepting the Housing crisis, the dismantling of the beleaguered health service and the military style policing of our communities.

SECOND FRONT

Our enemies may have learnt how to bully us, but we have also learnt ways to resist, often the hard way. The Trade union hierachies have refused to confront the combined attacks of the bosses and the state, when it was obvious to everybody that the new rulers weren't interested in fireside chats at No.10 with beer and sandwiches thrown in. Without negotiations what more can a trade union boss do to line his pockets, except moan, or if

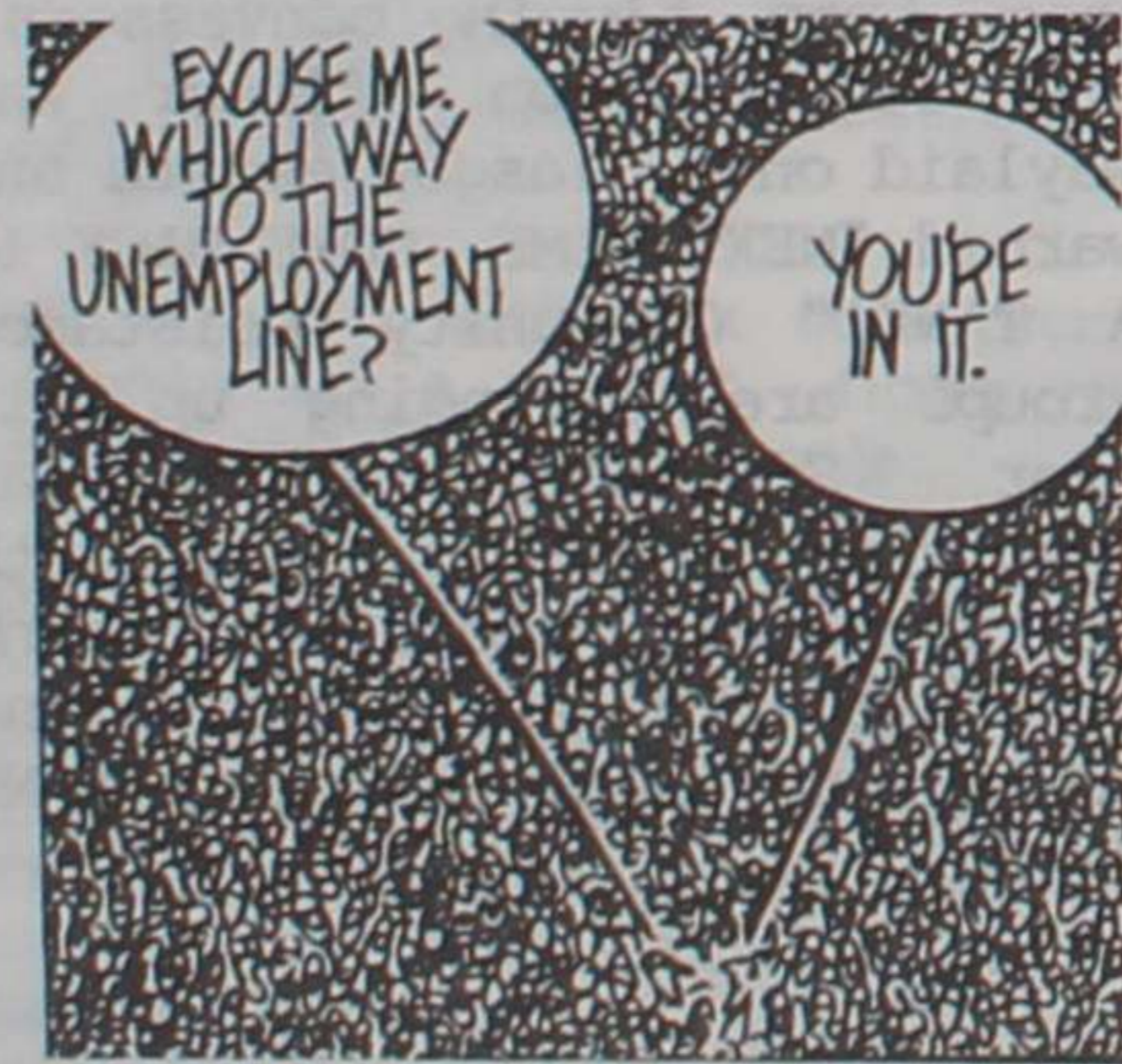


Trying to be heard... Speakers at the health service rally in Hyde Park on Saturday were shouted down by fascist thugs that no one from the health service had been asked to speak.

"The health service is safe in our hands" GUESS WHO?

"The police were awful. We always thought they were on our side but today many of us saw them in a different light" Student Nurse Jo Burnett February 4th 1988

"I am not absolutely sure what the (NHS) dispute is about" Health Secretary John Moore Feb 4th 1988



"You have not been forgotten" TORY MINISTER LORD YOUNG'S OMINOUS HINT TO THE UNEMPLOYED OF THINGS TO COME IN 1987.



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THE MINERS HAVE THE RIGHT IDEA

NEIL KINNOCK "Violence is alien to the working class"....."Bollocks" CLASS WAR

"Yeh, you were ready for us at Orgreave, you beat us there. You learnt lessons but so have we. Next time it'll be different" SOUTH YORKS MINER TO POLICE. WAPPING 1986



South Yorks miners proudly display a cop's baton which captured on the 6th Sept '84 at the pithead colliery.



"You must bring some of your mates from Brixton next time" PRINT WORKER WAPPING 1986

"A few things while it's fresh in my mind. For months we have taken stick from the police. On Saturday we got one back. Brilliant. They must've wandered what hit them, even the veterans of May 3rd. For hours they had to sit there and take it, the noise of concrete on perspex deafened us, what must it have been like for them? It was too dangerous for them to charge us as they'd have liked. Many thanks to all those "unconnected with the dispute" who right up there in the front, showing they know quite well what the police are about and what they deserve from working class people. We need no excuses for hating the police. Thanks especially to the football supporters from Millwall, West Ham, Chelsea and Charlton. You were an inspiration."

PICKET 42
WAPPING JANUARY 1987

MURDOCH YOU ARE



FURY: Protesters overturn a lorry at the height of Saturday's violence.



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"A town cannot live by luxury flats alone" FULHAM SUPPORTERS TRYING TO SAVE THEIR GROUND 1987

"A slum game played by louts in front of hooligans" LORD HILL-NORTON, ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET, GIVES HIS SUBTLE ANALYSIS OF FOOTBALL

TEN YEARS OF CLASS WAR



"A line of riot vans appeared, one got through, swerving through the burning cars amid a hail of bricks. The others held back, as we worked up courage to charge, though we were few our fury was great. 'South Africa, South Africa', a kid screamed, as we charged screaming against the pride of the British State, chasing the bastards right back towards Stockwell tube station."

BRIXTON RIOT 1985

QUOTED IN CROWBAR

"I discovered in my research that in places like High Wycombe or Portsmouth as well in Birmingham on Saturday nights it's considered perfectly good sport to summon the police in a false call for help and then ambush the police cars." Director of "Closing Ranks". TV programme on the police.



you're Clive Jenkins make a few million through property speculation. In the future we will have to look abroad for our inspiration (e.g. France, Spain and Poland). We will have to learn what they have learned. Only all out struggle prepared to break the law if necessary will scare them. Many learnt other lessons from the Miners Strike. They looked at the valiant and imaginative year of fightback and cried out pathetically for a "New Realism", a new era of shoddy compromise with the ruling class. The real lesson was the need to expand the fight out of the mining industry. The Miners only held out as long as they did because the fight was extended into the mining communities. Think what would have happened if the fight had spread to the inner cities, other industries and the unemployment blackspots of the North. The second front should have been opened, then a third front... well, perhaps another day.

WAR HEROES

After so many of us fell to the nationalist rubbish thrown up by the Falklands bloodbath, the miners strike brought the class struggle back to the fore. Thatchers "enemies within" were our real war heroes.

UPRISING

The fight of the mining communities stands alongside the great uprisings of 1981 in our history. As the royals were marrying, our cities and towns flared, as working class youth poured into the streets to build barricades, throw bricks, stones and petrol bombs and take on the might of the British police force. The riots since then have shown increased attitudes of resistance and sophistication, hardening us all to future struggles. The community/industrial divide is starting to disappear. As one Wapping striker said in 1985,

"The thing about young people today is they know just what they're doing".

As Thatcher launches her latest attack on us, with the Housing bill and the Poll tax, we must remember what we have learnt and not grieve for what we have lost.

THE NEXT TEN

Many of us hold Thatcher responsible for all our problems, but in reality she is only finishing off what the Labour Party tried to start in the 70's. Ten years of Thatchers rule may not have knocked us into line, but they believe they have nearly finished us off. What they don't realise is that far from being being beaten, the working class hasn't even begun to show its teeth. Heres to the next Ten years, cheers.



"Now on one side of the road there's a whole family out of work who look across and see the Rolls Royces and the BMWs and the new houses. The older people withdraw, but the younger ones say, "Screw the bastards", civil disobedience will escalate" quoted in CLASS WAR 1987



"You know who makes the best bacon..P.C. Blakelock" ADVERT PLUS ADDITION WINTER 1985

"Well, I suppose it's better than watching the telly." WOMAN WALKING DOG DURING BRIXTON RIOT 1981

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"Just doing a bit of window shopping" WOOD GREEN RIOTER 1981



"On Wall Street the selling far exceeded anything seen in the worst days of the 1920's and 1930's and the fall of the Dow (share index) at 22.6% was almost double the 12.82% drop seen in the worst day of the stockmarket crash that preceded the great depression" Financial Times, October 20th, 1987 (Yawn, now you know why you don't read it)

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"We are all hostages" PETERHEAD PRISON RIOTERS BANNER 1986



"We've got them by the balls, now lets squeeze" FORD STRIKERS BANNER 1987

"As early as possible, as late as necessary" ANTI ALTON ABORTION BILL SLOGAN 1987

PESTS

What have yuppies brought to your area? The latest change you'll be seeing if you live near a Yuppie docklands development has four legs. Redevelopment in Bristol and London particularly in the dockland yuppie havens has put armies of rats on the move as their traditional hideouts are disturbed. Combined with crumbling sewers crying out for repairs it has seen them popping up anywhere from outside supermarkets to school playgrounds in Bristol. It seems to us that vermin breed more vermin.



The Dorchester, one of London's most expensive hotels, recently got fined in the courts after cockroaches were found there. Class Warriors might well have noted that the rooms there are filled with many other forms of parasite, from bankers to billionaires. La Gaucho in swanky Mayfair, one of the few three star restaurants in Britain, has also found itself hauled up in court. Reports that Class War chefs are systematically out to poison the ruling class are at present, being ruled out.

HERO IS KILLER BOSS

Miners at the High Moor pit, where ten men were trapped recently, say that safety lapses are common. "Safety is practically non-existent. The men reported a big gap in the roof but were told to carry on with the tunnel" said one miner. So much for the N.C.B. manager being the hero of the hour. First he nearly kills them then the Coal Board tries to make him into a hero.

PLOD

The latest plan to stop shop lifting in Britain is 6ft 2in cardboard cut out coppers who will soon be standing in supermarkets. They will be an obvious target for theft and we would politely ask readers not to send too many to the Class War PO Box.

EDUCATION

The education system in this country never did much for working class people... it was never designed to. Its job was to provide technicians and managers... to run the rich man's industry, to keep their old class mates in line, and to be a source of new 'thinkers', new ideas (i.e. ways of making money) for the stagnant, inbred upper class.

But for the moment its all we've got. It provides us with the basic skills and a ladder for the few to 'get on in life'. And its under its worst attack since public education was created. The Baker Bill with its 2-tier system of schools, the break-up of LEA dumping under funded schools on councils that are broke already, and the loans system for Higher Education Students are all direct class attacks... making education more efficient, so less money is spent on those who won't 'pay back' to the state. The middle class who dominate higher education aren't really effected, though to be 'Trendy Lefty' they'll kick up a fuss. After three years of being 'whacky' these yuppie scum will slip easily into their '15+K' jobs in defence, banking, or if you're really

'trendy'... the media, secure in the knowlege of daddy's money and contacts if they're so stupid they still can't get a job.

Anger is building in the schools and colleges... outbreaks of trouble in Hampshire at the end of January involving 100's of pupils... In London 2000 college and school students marched in direct defiance of an NUS ban on action.

Working Class people need a totally new education system run for and by us, not by the middle classes. But that doesn't mean that we can't fight now...

Watch out, things are getting lively!



YUPPIE ALIENS STOLE OUR BOOZER

Thirty regulars are boycotting their local pub because it has been redecorated in "yuppie" style. "Now we haven't even got a dartboard" said Alan Stewart, leader of the rebels at The Cock, Worsley, Greater Manchester, now using the next door sports club.

THE PLOT HATCHED

Ten years of cover up but finally the truth had to come out. From the eggs that hit the Queen in Australia, to the nurses who plastered Health secretary John Moore in the strike, poisonous eggs have been lobbed by our crack team of eggsperts. To cries of "open wide ma'am" or "suck on this Minister" our undercover agents have shelled out to rid us of the worst parasites on our lives. Knowing the eggstacy their eggsit would produce we've tried to cook up a right old storm.

MILK MAYHEM

Hampstead police station was dealing with a case of suspected poisoning the other day. One of the pieces of evidence was a carton of milk. This was officially labelled and placed on the desk of the constable dealing with the case. The morning shift arrived and were enjoying a cup of tea, when the duty officer put his head round the door to ask what had happened to the carton of poisoned milk.

CLOUGHIE



Cloughie says hello to all our readers

Brian Clough hit the headlines recently with his single handed attempt to stop a pitch invasion at the City Ground in Nottingham. He told the press after the incident that he was just giving a few troublemakers "clips round the ear". I'll tell you what I wouldn't want to get a clip from Brian, I don't fancy a trip to the dentists. Who does he think he is? After all there was no trouble going on, Forest had just won 5-2 and reached the semi finals of the Littlewoods Cup and the traditional celebrations were taking place.

ROUND THE BEND

Either Brian is completely round the bend or the new era of crowd control techniques brought in by Thatcher have started to influence managers as well. After all we expected the Chairman to give us a lecture about how he was a "strict disciplinarian" and about how a "clip round the ear" kept people in line cos rich scum like this have been doing it for years. But frankly Brian, we here at Class War (not to say others as well) are deeply disappointed by your actions. We thought you were a bit of a lefty (Anti Nazi league etc.). Don't you realise WE built the city ground, WE have filled it for decades and without OUR money you wouldn't be in a job (and nor would the directors). So if we want to run on OUR pitch thats up to us. If you want to be a half arsed vigilante Brian, join the Guardian Angels.

LETTERS

DEAR CLASS WAR,

First of all I wish to say keep up the good work. Trashing yuppies and their things is all good sport. It was excellent to read in the Heavy Stuff No 2 that to all those who want to know more, the basis of our actions is not just some knee jerk jealousy thing. The theory IS important because it promotes positions that can help in persuading other workers who may be more influenced by the bosses crap. In my view, as long as street work (and sport) take first place, there is nothing wrong with theory. It's only due to workers theory being perverted by middle class intellectuals and their zombie followers in the Stalinist / Leninist Parties and the 57 varieties of Trot scum that we are quite correctly wary of it. Some of these people may have been genuine at one time, but after a few months of constant brainwashing they become the pigs of theory in much the same way as the filth operate. They have turned the trust of workers into tools for power and have become corrupted by capitalism.

One of the reasons why support for Class War is continuing is because the idea of organizing in parties, and the Leninist concept of 'democratic centralism' is given a swift kick in the bollocks. No dictatorship of the party means no dictatorship by some shit who wants to set themselves up with a cushy number after the revolution. These scum always concentrate on things like the 'dialectical praxis of the working class and the revolution' which shows that they wish to 'manage' the revolution like bureaucrats that inspect us and prod us into little boxes for later analysis and control. They would all like bar codes stamped on our heads so that 'a better determination of the needs of the working class' could be fed into a computer and revolution made into something you buy in a shop. To hell with the whole lot of them.

Signed
Paul
East London



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*THOUSANDS already subscribe to CLASS WAR and numbers are steadily growing.

*THE ONLY WAY IS UP, as we go into 1989 confident, organised and bareing our teeth.

If you're a regular reader, or have just bought CLASS WAR for the first time, you'll know why we are a success. The popular press think Fergies bottom, Marilyn Monroe lookalikes and Kylie Minogues under-arm hair is all we under stand.

WELL WE'VE GOT NEWS FOR THEM! Laughs, common sense and hard hitting realities are our trademark, BECAUSE THEY'RE THE STANDARDS OF THE WORKING CLASS, WHICH IS SOMETHING NO RICH PUBLISHER OR POLITICAL PARTY CAN ACCEPT.

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1. We want to destroy capitalism and its class system and replace them with a free and equal society where people have complete control over their own lives.

2. We believe that the most important division in this society is between the working class and the ruling class and its agents. We accept that it is sometimes difficult to see which side of this division people are, and to complicate things further, people may move from one side of it to the other, depending on changes in their personal situation or in society at large.

3. We are opposed to all forms of the state including so-called 'communist' states.

4. The struggle of the working class to seize control of the world from the ruling class and its agents will involve the use of violence. We support working class violence against the ruling class and its agents. We are opposed to elitist terrorist type actions as they are not an expression of ongoing class struggle.

5. We do not believe the working class needs leadership. We are totally hostile to the politicians, union bosses and 'Revolutionary Parties' who attempt to be working class 'leaders'. We are not trying to lead anybody anywhere. The purpose of CLASS WAR is to increase the revolutionary aspects of working class resistance by participation and communication as equals.

6. Dividing the working class by skin colour, sex or sexual preference, ect. is one of the main ways that the ruling class keeps us fighting amongst ourselves instead of against them. In creating a free society we must fight and destroy these divisions which the ruling class fosters within the working class.

7. The CLASS WAR FEDERATION is open to all groups and individuals who agree with these aims and principles. We accept that these groups and individuals may have disagreements on other things.

The CLASS WAR CONFERENCE, which meets twice a year, will decide the policy of the federation. It will exclude any groups or individuals found to be acting against the 'Aims and Principles'.

8. We accept that the CLASS WAR FEDERATION is not the only valid way of opposing the system. Other ways of organising will be more appropriate to other people. We will work with other working class groups when our struggles coincide.

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"Football turned you into a member of a new community ... for not only had you escaped from the clanking machinery of this lesser life ... but you had escaped with most of your mates, having pushed your way through a turnstile, into another and altogether more splendid kind of life." (J.B. Priestley). While today there is maybe less clanking machinery, football grounds are still places where working class fans can escape the boredom of work or the dole, where there is still some sense of community and friendship rather than the alienation of everyday life.

Instead of just being two hours of escape, in which any anger we had for the ruling class was diverted against the opposing team or fans, football grounds became places in which the working class gained strength and confidence, and began to turn their anger against the guardians of the

IT'S ON THE CARDS



ruling class, the police, instead of themselves. In 1985 the TV showed the wonderful sight of an embarrassed police force under retreat, as they were pelted with broken seats during the pitch invasion at the now famous Luton v Millwall cup tie. The Ruling class, lead by Thatcher & Co, began to make plans so that such a defeat would never happen again.



In recent years the government has introduced a number of measures specifically designed to break up working class resistance, not only at football grounds but also at work and in our communities. At football matches we've seen the banning of alcohol, the introduction of video surveillance, and increased police presence and hostility. Now they're trying to bring in I.D. cards.

The government's argument is that I.D. cards are necessary to stamp out violence at football grounds. Supporters know that this is bollocks, the government's own figures show that. Out of the 18 million supporters who watched the game there were only 6,147 arrests or 0.03%. This "Appalling high level" according to sports minister Moynihan compares with 3.7% of the adult population arrested in Britain in 1987 and 0.07% arrested at football grounds in Strathclyde where I.D. cards are not yet going to be introduced, Moynihan saying that "Scotland would be largely unaffected by the plans as long as their behaviour continues to warrant it." The government's aim is clearly to stop working class fans having control over their game, as Thatcher has said "The survival of soccer as a spectator sport is in question."



Estimates of the cost range from £34 million to £72 million over 5 years. This will mean bankruptcy for many smaller clubs who are often an important focus for the community. In estimating the cost the government itself is

expecting a 20% fall off in gates, although it could be as high as 50%. The government have thought carefully about imposing such an I.D. scheme by appointing the totally incompetent Colin (I was cox in the Olympic Games) Moynihan who, although pretends to be a sportsman, knows little and cares even less for football or the fans. The crap he spouts to the media shows his grasp of reality. He's probably dropped one too many.



In the fight against I.D. cards the supporters have been joined by a so called alliance of police, directors and the Labour Party however these groups are just as hostile to the fans as the Tories. The police are scared of getting a well deserved kicking by the fans waiting to get into the ground fifteen minutes after kickoff while the Rich Scum directors are worried about losing their little empires. The Labour Party see the I.D. scheme as an opportunity to gain votes. You won't see Kinnock attempting to enter a football ground without a membership card, in solidarity with the supporters. Once there are no more political points to gain they'll disappear back into the woodwork.

The fight against the I.D. scheme by the supporters will not go away, even if it is introduced, for as we all know computers can be unreliable at times. The government's aim is to deter working class supporters as we are a threat to them. So long as we fight the real enemies, government, directors, police and their allies instead of each other the game will eventually become "THE PEOPLES GAME."

RALLYING CRY



Last years Paris - Dakar rally as reported in Class War (No 28) saw locals stealing rich rally drivers' cars. This year, resistance has intensified. Rally driver Ted Toleman reported, only a few days into the African leg, that their car had already been stoned four times!!!! Racist Ted put the anger down to overexcitement. We hope there was loads more excitement on the way. Some people just don't seem to get the message when they're not wanted.