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6th August  1985  HIROSHIMA DAY
FREE ALL PRISONERS

While the media machine glorifies the release of the Two(T) hostages, speculates on the condition of Reagan's shit tubes and regularly covers pages with such drivel that I can't even bother trying to be funny about...

The media ignores, distorts, covers up, and generally apologizes for the fuck ups of this society.

The only new buildings that I see been built nowadays are the monstrous mirror reflecting square boxes destined for 'office space', the trendy comfy homes in the docklands development zone (each flying a Barratts' flag) and the monstrous extensions on police stations and on existing prison buildings.

Several statistics recently released by the government do not seem to have appeared in, or concerned the media. In 1985 the prison population reached two new levels. The total population is now at 46,131, the highest it has ever been. Even more disturbing are the figures for remand prisoners awaiting trial, again the highest ever at 9,687. The ratio of remand to sentenced prisoners has more than doubled over the last eight years.

An amnesty or change in the 'lock them all up policy of the Tories does not seem very foreseeable in the future. Apart from a few support and pressure groups there is little interest in the rising number of people kidnapped by the state and shoved into prisons.

Another monstrous collection of statistics are those relating to deaths in prisons. In 1984 there were sixty-four deaths, nine of these in seven.

CHOLESTEROL THREATENS KESTREL

SCAREMAY JULY '85 BRIXTON....

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Judges decided, it was a great boost, Tesco's are wrong, and there you can roost! For with 'Buzzards Unknown' filed for a name, Barristers couldn't proceed with their game!

At Tesco's Headquarters the Bosses had heard, That their Lordships would not destroy this Bird! So they phoned up their old friend TED KNIGHT, To ask him to help them to RAZE the Site.

'Bloody Great Claw', And a Legal Defence to indulge in Class War! Don't double the Dale or Graffiti the Banks, Ain't never joined the Glue sniffers ranks. Just darts about all over the place, (Attacks flying pigs with effortless grace).
SAVE OUR CRECHE

KIDS FACE TEDS' RIOT POLICE

NO NEGOTIATIONS—Despite pickets, letters, phonecalls, Co-op help, petitions, posters... NO MEETING, NO COMMENT.........GETOUTNOW!
OR We'll smash your child care centre with sledgehammers!!!

That was the reaction of wonderful TED KNIGHT to demands that our childrens' creche be licensed or given another space.

Vindictive persecution by Ted Knight against local squatters (Most of the women and kids using the creche are not squatters at all!)

TED HATES US—He thinks the creche is all the idea of ex-squatters from Effra Parade, whose cottages were subjected to a violent eviction by 200 riot police (all to achieve planning consent on the vacant site for an Ardmore Construction cement mix plant!!!)

Now they are continuing the persecution, 3 months ago, Ted personally ordered the creche to be transferred from Housing to the Borough Valuers Dept. The latter being under the firm political control of Ted since the expulsion of Nigel Baker.

But Ted is attacking the wrong people. The building at 24, Brailsford Rd (5 years empty!) was used by the squatters as a cafe last year but this failed and they offered it to a local mothers group who were desperate for a child care centre.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

PHYSICAL RESISTANCE.

We hope our 'Moles' in the council will warn us of the eviction in advance. If so, everybody will be told. The riot police will come at around 4 or 5 A.M. and we hope that everyone will be out on the streets. More volunteers are needed to stay in the place itself. There are plans for a network of safe houses where you can run during the baton charges as well as escape and attack routes through gardens and over roofs. If we have warning all access roads and the park entrances will be blocked off with vehicles and barricaded before the riot police arrive. The press, radio and T.V. have said they will be in attendance and local doctors and hospitals will be warned.

THE ALARM

If we don't get warning the first we may know is that look outs have spotted police convoys approaching the sleeping community and our horns will go off and door to door warnings will be given to our supporters. The telephone alarms will operate to inform all other London squatters, as well as the media. We need more volunteers NOW! TO PERFECT THE ALARM...and to work on detailed resistance and retaliation plans.

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LILFORD BLUES

Lambeth Council's 'socialist' principles are now being stretched to include making people homeless in order to allow private development. In Lilford Rd., a stones throw from one of the brand new pre-fab high-security housing offices, a terrace of attractive houses, squatted for six years, are under threat of eviction.

And, what are the council going to do with the houses? They haven't got the money to do them up, so they can't even pull their usual trick of throwing single homeless out and putting in new single homeless from the bottom of the waiting list. So, they're going to sell the houses to property speculators, no doubt so they can be modernised, and sold at a profit to some upwardly mobile trash.

At the moment, the squatters are trying to negotiate an alternative with a housing co-op, but if this is not successful, they are determined to resist this backdoor Toryism.

TED KNIGHT - THE MOBSTER

So, that bastard Ted Knight is now the darling of the left, having fought the good fight against ratecapping, and taking longer than anyone else to sell out. Well, big fucking deal!

As well as being up to his eyes in corruption, lining his pockets with backhanders from construction firms (and more being one), this hard line lefty shitehead also has the responsibility of investing Lambeth councils Pension Funds!!!

(A bit like asking the Krays twins to baby-sit?)

So how does he invest this money, we ask ourselves? Well, this chaplain of equal opportunities puts £25.3 million into companies with South African holdings, about 60% of Lambeth's assets in dirty companies. The rest of the money goes into military engineering companies, and nuclear power. Lambeth is a 'nuclear free zone' ha ha. Also, what sort of support is that for the miners cause, by undermining their livelihoods, not to mention the ecology? There's not really a lot else You can say about it, 'cept that it's no big surprise.....Ted, you fuckwit, why don't you just crawl off somewhere and die???

CAROLS CAFE

Camden council want to evict Carol's to give a lease as a commercial premises to a 'worthy group'. The labour group met and decided to lease the place to the 'Women's Health Group' who incidentally reckon they are going to come round to get the keys!!!??!

This is not a full crucial decision and there is still loads of fighting between above group and others, like the Lesbian project, who want to buy the place (...) with a G.L.C. grant.

We are fighting back and are not going! (note: it is not uncommon to play out one community group against another, just all the tricks Scabs and sell outs who are into playing these power games typis.)
YESTERDAY they killed 3 kids, the day before 8 got blown to bits...tomorrow there will be funerals and more will die...these are the heroes who are taking on the South African war machine on the streets of the dusty ghettos.

BUT THE WAR IS HERE AS WELL! Last week the Anti-Apartheid offices were firebombed in London, obviously by BOSS agents. In fact Britain is just an extension of the South African economy - Britain is the main customer and investor, the main profit maker from racist rule, slave labour and cheap resources ripped out of the earth. Britain is buying and selling race war and mass murder, laughing all the way to the banks of our rich masters...IT'S ALL TRUE AND HARDLY EVEN COVERED UP!! What we raised at the one-off Live Aid concert they take back out of Africa, and more, EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR. Money off your taxes, money going into your dope.

The war is here and now...which side are you on? A kid in Sth Africa can lose his/her life for chucking a stone...but YOU have 1000 targets, State Property and Sth African connected businesses, right on your doorstep. NOW is the most vital time to hit back, even if its only graffiti it costs them to clean it off.

You British bastards! You fucking smug racist imperialist BASTARDS. War is declared on the whole Sth African black population...and in Britain??...An "upsurge in racial incidents" is reported!!

Show your solidarity, show your fucking humanity! Let's all JOIN IN THE WAR TONITE!!

SOUTH AFRICA

The Anti-Apartheid headquarters in Camden Town was damaged by a mailbox firebomb on the 16th of July. Someone had been seen putting a tube in the mailbox at about 11pm. The papers reported it as someone pouring petrol into the mailbox. A reliable source said "Agents of South Africa acted because the Anti-Apartheid campaigns were too successful recently". National newspapers included the fact that police finally admitted that the South African Gov't. could have done it.

SOUTH AFRICA

The British Tourist Authority is celebrating English Heritage this year by holding a "sell your wife" weekend in Birmingham. It is at the "festival of the Imperial Hotel, Husband's will be given a wake up call with their wives against a for sale sign, and the event is called "sell your wife in the UK". Write and tell us how it goes. Source 91.
"A rat in a cage will rattle at the gate
This mad rat would destroy the City State."

GREAT BRITAIN IS JUST ONE VAST PRISON CAMP, AND THE GOVERNORS ARE THE RULING CLASS. WE ARE PATHETIC VOLUNTARY SLAVES...TO THE FAMILY, THE STATE, THE SCHOOL, WORK, DOLE, TV, EVEN DRUGS AND ROCK N ROLL WHICH ENFORCE THE RULES AND CONSUME REBELLION. WE ARE SLAVES CLIMBING THE RAT RACE LADDER, FOR THE SPECIAL PRIVILEGES OF THE MIDDLE CLASS...OR SLIDING DOWN THE SLIPPERY SLOPE TO THE PUNISHMENT BLOCK...THE 'REAL' PRISON. THERE ARE 50,000 PRISONERS ON THAT PUNISHMENT BLOCK...BUT THERE ARE 50 MILLION PRISONERS.

"Smash it up, Mash it up,
TEAR THAT CELLBLOCK DOWN!"

DIRTY FILTHY SQUATTERS

Maybe you think that all Crowbar readers are dole scroungers, deviant subversives, social waste products living in the rubbish dump of bourgesi society. Not a pretty bed of roses...we are under constant attack, lots of us get dragged off to prison, suffer mental crackups, turn into junks or, even worse, Trendies! Most of us are forced to do shitwork on the side, to add to the miserable pennis of the hole...

They're cutting the dole again...now they've been cutting off and deporting 'foreigners' and closing the marriage loophole for women as well. They're trying to cut off squatterselectric, they're trying always to evict, they're cut out rent fiddles, now they want to take 'bills' money straight from our dole (we could end up owing them money every week!). They're cracking down on double doles, handing out prison for shoplifting, stepping up cop surveillance and phototapping, (lucky we've no phones!), instituting Community Grass schemes. They're encouraging racism, sexism and drug addiction, and cutting back health care....

And in reply...WHAT? Of course we do fight back, we know of a 1000 dodges, and a 1000 little lies. But to really fight back we need to combine, and for that we need our own identity...Maybe we should be proud to be squatters, unemployed, social 'failures'...Maybe we should have our own movement, not just for 'Politics' but for practical mutual aid. For instance, if you organise with 5 people you can trust, to sit down and exploit the 55 and every loophole in the system, you can quite safely get back twice the cash and make monkeys of the Social Wankers!

But maybe we shouldn't be thinking in terms of 'Work' at all...All people really want is enough cash to live on, and then to go about doing what they really enjoy! (If we can decide what that is). For instance in our area we've had (at various times) a squatters bar, food co-op, a squat cafe, libraries, lots of papers and mags, a bookshop, studios and dark rooms, collective tools (didn't work!), an umbrella group of people who help with electricals, plumbing, roofing etc for cheap or free, a squat advice centre, an alarm network, a squatters creche, local games, an à syndicalist group, a miners support group, public meetings, a layout room, a bicycle workshop, a squatters nightclub etc etc. And we're just a few people in a small area.

The point is...if we can combine to resist all the attacks and the Daily Bullshit, there's still lots of possibilities here to do things which we actually enjoy and which benefit each other...No profit involved...instead of boosting some Party seeking power or some Pie in the Sky. Of course the more we organise ourselves, the more possibilities we have. That to me, here, is what it's all about.

Aunty Annie

Dear Aunty,
I am a young rioter and looter, I want to be prepared for the next outbreak. Any hints?

Subversive of Lewisham

Dear Subversive,
When a riot starts all the cops rush to that area. First thing is to spread it. Try setting a rich car alight. It's a slow, hard job, a group and keep moving. Smash a few windows in the High Street and run. The cops will only special riot channel on FM, so listen in. When the rioting spreads all over you can foot to your hearts content - have somewhere handy planned to move the stuff. If you get caught, keep cool and ask for Jury Trial, this takes about 6 months and you'll probably get off, when the police are full up and temperature has cooled.

Happy rioting -

Aunty Annie

Dear Aunty,
I am a young anarchist, rioter and squatter, but I am unhappy with my life. What really revolution is a real thing? Am I right?

Bored of Brixton

Dear Bored,
Of course you're right. Riots aren't enough. But you have to spread your ideas, of local co-operation, peoples councils etc. Only then can you start mass occupations and takeovers of factories. It's a long battle, you need not one but many no-go areas if you are going to beat the cops and army. Remember - never allow leaders or lefty groups to manipulate you, they just want to grab power for themselves. You struggle looks uphill - but with any luck the whole system will fall apart.

Mutual aid -

Aunty Annie
Sorry, not many recipes in this issue, I've run out of inspiration this time. If you've got anything spare, please send it to me and I'll stick them in. What I'll do next couple of issues run a serialisation on lock picking. I've already touched upon the subject, but this will be pretty comprehensive stuff, and well worth learning, until then, keep out of mischief, (ha ha).

Happy Hunting,

Moriarty....

A plastic or thin metal strip (even a credit card in some cases) can be used to force a spring-loaded bolt back in most cheap door locks.

The rubber band-thumb tack method for defeating chain locks. The door is opened as far as possible and the tack stuck in the door as far as you can reach.

When the door is suddenly shut, the chain will pop out.

CRACKER TIPS (Pt. 79)

1. WET A SPONGE
2. WRAP THE SPONGE TIGHTLY WITH A STRING AND LET IT DRY
3. REMOVE THE STRING
4. INTRODUCE THE SPONGE INTO TOILETS OR WATER DRAINS TO STOP THEM UP AS THE SPONGE SWELLS

TROTSKY, RIGHT, IS SITTING AT HOME WHEN THERE IS THIS KNOCK AT THE DOOR. SEE, SO HE GOES TO ANSWER IT AND THERE'S THIS BLOKE STANDING THERE. SO, TROTSKY SAYS, WHAT DO YOU WANT, MATE? AND THE BLOKE SAYS, I'VE COME TO PICK YOUR BRAINS! Ha ha ha ha ha ha hee hee hee....

CRISS CROSS QUIZ

0K you lazy bastards, here's a bit of fun for you to enjoy....In the above collection of letters we have hidden the names of fourteen anarchist papers for you to find. They are written up, down, backwards, sideways and diagonally. Answers are on the inside back page, with reviews. Now don't cheat.................
Recently in Lambeth there has been an alarming increase in the number of squats that have had their electricity cut off from the street. This is a real pisser, as it means that no-one else can move in the house. It is really unnecessary that this sort of shit has to happen, and even though the price of electricity is so high, with the amounts of fiddles going around you'd think that people would have their acts a bit more together.

So for the benefit of y'll, here is the simplest fiddle I know

All you do is to unscrew the screw marked in the diagram, not all the way out, but just until the wheel stops turning round. (Screw anticlockwise.)

Once again, ALWAYS use a mainsteter when fucking about with mains lekky, if you don't know what you're doing then get someone else to do it. ALWAYS keep a note of the number on the dial, and by finding out the unit price, you can decide exactly how much you want to pay.

If your meter is under the stairs, make sure that there is a padlock on the door. When they come to read the meter, just say that your friend has the key, and could they come back in half-hour? (By which time you will have straightened it all out.)

If your meter is on the wall, build a cupboard around it, and put a lock on the door, using the same excuse.

The screws under the meter are covered with a small plastic top, which is held in with a screw and has a lead seal through it. The meter reader very rarely check this, especially in a dark cupboard, but to be safe, you can replace the seal by pushing it back through and using superglue to rejoin the wires.

There, you've just saved yourself lots of money.

Another problem with lekky is getting an account without having to pay £10 deposit. It helps if you can have a reference from a good payer to smooth things out. So... when moving into a new squat, open your account with about 4 false names. Provided your bills are paid, you can give these names to other squatters to use as their own, simply asking to change their address, with a new account. Cedeit?

Happy fiddling,

Moriarty.

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CROWBAR EXCLUSIVE

INTERVIEW WITH JESUS CHRIST

...with the CONVOY at Savernake Forest!

A.T. So when did you get back to Earth, Mr CHRIST.

J.C. Uh, call me JC, will ya, everyone does. I was reborn a couple a years back.

A.T. What? You're only 2 years old then?

J.C. Nah, nah... that's 1985 years, give or take a few duck ups with calendars and stuff. Been hitching around you know, old son, we didn't pull that Virgin Birth stunt this time, no one believes that stuff anymore, nah, nah, just beamed down you know, is that a joint you're lighting up?

A.T. And what's the purpose of your visit sir?

J.C. Business of the God squad, old boy wants to collect Franchise payments before this Armageddon thing.

But you know man, I been hangin loose with the Convoy and getting big giros to keep quiet about being reborn... dealin in a bit you know, nothin heavy. Just thought I'd roll on down to Henge and mellow out... but I got busted in that fuckin Beanfield see... am, thanks man, am the kops recognised me from my PALM PRINTS... they're kind of distinctive you know?

A.T. Really Mr Christ, and what about Judgement DAY... The bible says.......

J.C. Fuck the Bible, that's just the old fellows propaganda man... Judgement DAY... go to fucking Court on 2nd August for the "Criminal Damage to a Beanfield" rap... wouldn't turn up, only they got my real name ya know the palm prints, ya know

A.T. Were you involved in the fighting when the police attacked the convoy?

J.C. FIGHTING? Fuck no I'm a pacifist fer fucks sake!

A.T. The bible says that you would come again to save Mankind... You could be the only one on that occasion don't you think that that's a bit wet and ineffectual for the son of an Omniscient God?

J.C. Aw there you go with that Bible crap again, the big guys getting on a bit he's not so omnipotent nowadays, more sort of impotent, you know? SAVE MANKIND! SAVE THE CONVOY! I was so stoned I couldn't even save my best cross the pigs trashed it to MATCHWOOD man!

A.T. You seem to have lost some of your reforming zeal in the past two thousand years could this be the consequence of chronic drug abuse?

J.C. Yeah, man if you like a ox you know, An acid damaged apathetic hippy as the punks would say. I couldn't give a brass fart for mankind any more you know? I ain't getting nailed to no more trees.

A.T. What plans do you have for the future?

J.C. Well I'll tell you one thing no way am I staying on this poxy little planet, I mean earth don't got no fuckin future you know?

A.T. Thank you for this message of hope for mankind.

J.C. Fuck mankind...hey! get your fuckin D M's off my shroud man... which ways the sweat lodge?

A.T. Er... before you go, could I take a toke off that joint please?

J.C. Poncin fuckin' journalist PARASITE PISS OFF!

A.T. UP yours J.C.
MET POLICE BUNKERS  
*WHERE THEY ARE*  
*HOW TO SABOTAGE*

The Metropolitan Police's War Command is based at two bunkers, one at Lippets Hill, Essex and the other at Mersham, Kent. Lippets Hill is the main 'Live' bunker as well as the main Met Police Helicopter Base. It's from here that the Nuclear Police will coordinate control and the wiping out of resistance during a war or serious uprising. It's based on an old AAOR bunker, but just safe in the last War, and includes an arms dump, supplies, low frequency microwaves linking to the police, army, and NATO systems, and firing ranges where the police are trained to use automatic and machine guns, etc. (You can hear them blasting away any day).

Lippets Hill is Scotland Yard North, a futuristic police HQ designed to withstand even a Nuclear Blast. LIPPETS HILL, Scotland Yard, Nth. Bunker & Chopper base.

Aerial and bunker behind.

Firing range building.

CHOP THE CHOPPERS

To get there you'll need a map, (Landranger No.167) and you'll need to get to know the thick woods surrounding the base and have good escape routes worked out. Dogs are usually loose inside the perimeter fence, and these would have to be dealt with. The easiest project would be to sabotage the 3 helicopters, but you will need an experienced team working at night, and there is a chance of getting shot. The bunker itself is guarded and in constant use. Perhaps the best possibility for attack would be the air vents, so you can get at them behind the massive blast shields. (See photo). Dropping in open gas bottles or pouring in inflammables could clean out the rest. The firing ranges are not used at night, but presumably the armoury is well guarded.

MERSHAM, Scotland Yard 5th Bunker, from M23.

NEWHAM SEVEN

Congratulations to the freed members of the Newham 7. We hope that their comrades who were found guilty of defending their community against Nazi jowife and scum will get unbelievably light sentences.

It's no surprise that the filth are even now trying to pretend that the Asians burnt to death in Ilford were not the victims of a racist attack. The Yard's 'new approach' to racial attacks in London is to deny they occur.

Can you imagine the response if whites were living under siege by blacks? Shoot to kill, probably. Yet when it's the other way round, cops and councils alike just ignore the problem while the media maintain their bigoted silence.
Reports are still trickling in of the World wide Stop Business as Usual demo on 30th April. Crowbar seems to be the only paper trying to cover all the actions... which we think is shit. SBUs is a brilliant idea and an essential way for ward for an Internationalist 6 movement. The idea is for everyone to do something in their own area... however small.

We would like to take up the suggestion from Dublin that the next SBU be on NOV 5th 85. So can everyone start publicising that date now?

In the last issue we printed reports from London, Nottingham, Luton, Newcastle, Bristol, Ashford, Norwich, Bedford and Hastings in the UK... as well as hundreds of actions in the USA. Here's some more....

STOP THE WORLD

TORONTO...

Small group actions reported on April 30th. But no details.

MADRID...

Two groups of 10 toured the centre, graffiti-ing and gluing up locks on banks, about 50 or 60 of them.

BARCELONA...

About 30 people mostly form the squatters collective (now dissolved) disrupted McDonald's and other burger restaurants, letting mice loose

PAMPLONA and PALMA DE MALLORCA.

Actions planned but no reports.

BERLIN...

The SBU group were followed by police, and nine people were arrested before anything happened at all Further Ekomediea report lost.

STOP THE WORLD DEMO

AMSTERDAM...

4 main attacks. An office of Honeywell Bull got broken windows and graffiti. People climbed on the roof of the Sperry building (arms dealer) and poured Ammonia etc in the air conditioning and made a leaflet about it. Compone (a nuclear company involved with 5th Africa) got smashed windows and paint bombed.

EDF (Netherlands) 30th April.

Upjohn, a company which 'dumps' useless medicines in the 3rd world was raidied.

DELT (Netherlands) 30th April.

A luxurious supermarket, the CT00, was paintbombed and graffity-ed.

Back in Amsterdam, there was extensive city centre graffiti (2 arrests), for example: 'Shell Oil from Hell' and 'Bank of America'... Multinationals don't burn down by themselves... Help Them!!

STOP THE WORLD DEMO

Aarhus (Denmark).

Actions planned and happened, but no details.

GENEVA...

An excellent action took place. Activists cosied themselves as employees of the big Swiss banks... and explained at street stalls what happens to money in your bank account, with excellent leaflets, and generating a lot of publicity and interest. - GREAT POSTER - THANKS!

ITALY...

Actions planned but no reports.

Stop Business As Usual

DUBLIN

'the Dog' reports that a grand total of 29 rich cars were damaged in the area around the Shelbourne Hotel and associated posh Clubs.Jags, limos and a Porshche made up the days tally! Other sufferers included many shops, especially butchers.

The Dubliners are keen for another SBU, and would like to suggest Nov 5th for our collective consideration... this does make things a little tight for Crowbar groups as our autumn firearms training camp finishes only the day before in Malta... but we'll DO OUR BEST!

NOVEMBER THE 5TH???

We think Stop Business as Usual is a brilliant idea... very few arrests, lots of action and people taking part. The idea is to attack or expose the arms race, big business, oppression, animal suffering, sexism, racism etc. in your OWN AREA, to get people aware and acting against it on their own terms.

So lets do it again... NOVEMBER 5th 85? How about it?

If everyone who took part last time does a few hundred leaflets and distributes them, it could be twice as big as April 30th. Especially if other papers will support the idea.

STOP THE WORLD

Dear CROWBAR,

The overall response to S.B.U. seems to have been pretty good! Enclosed is a letter from Aberdeen saying what went on there. Next time with better organisation and publicity a lot more could be done.

I must admit I was a bit peeved that only yourselves and Black Flag actually publicised it - there ought to be a lot more 'coming together' with the @ papers with regards to events. Class War logged 5000 copies last issue so why the fuck was there no mention of S.B.U. in it? The same goes for Freedom, although people have more sense than to waste their time reading that pile of shit.

We are presently working on the new Timperley Village Anarchist and it's miles better than the 1st Issue - and we've decided to write it in a manner which non-anarchists can relate to. (Oh have we now? Type pke.)

Incidentally I know that Copernicus was supposed to send us a car soon and she aint sent it yet so if you see it can you tell him that our ELITE DEATH SQUADS will be dispatched unless something is sent within the next week.

Incidentally the ALF recently did a brilliant 'trashing' on RACKHAMs in Altringham - they smashed 5 fucking huge windows, must have cost a bomb and it really upset the local petty bourgeois scumbags who have a tendency to infect the studenthole in question.

Looking forward to reading the next Crowbar.

love @dan

And up and over in ABERDEEN, we understand that the local Job Centre had it's window bricked along with a long trail of glued-up locks and a pcket of a fur shop... on 5th April.
Dear CROWBAR,

Your incitements to debase the memorial to Yvonne Fletcher is too much. Bare I recall that she was gunned down by one of Gadafis thugs while protecting a student demo against that masturbatory pseudo-revolutionary dictator? Or that the Police are also proletariat? Specifically that part of the proletariat who are employed to keep the working class in line yet none the less open to a political analysis of their situation, and to be treated not as enemies. Politics is not football, simply the matter of right symbol and the colour of your shirt! What matters is the form of the content. And while we are about it—what was that fascist nonsense about vigilante groups and castrating rapists?...

Typist: there's lots more of this drivel, but the typist can't be fucking to write it out, this shit really pisses me off.

CROWBAR says: what a load of bollocks... a cop is fairer to target, no matter what. They are our enemies and I won't be happy until every last one of them is dead. Fuck the class analysis, once a cop is a cop, then that's it, they can violently be killed. Between us and the rich bastards, and deserve what they get. Some goes for rapists, judges, politicians, screw-ups and fascists. Right, get that off my chest.

Dear CROWBAR,

I am enraged to see the magazine getting so tame and complacent. Wake up for fucks sake and just say what you think!

Where, for instance does CROWBAR stand on the question of the Royal Family? Do you agree that they must be slowly tortured to death in public, or have you gone over to the Reformist 'hang them in a back yard' brigade. And what's all this about 'surplus private property!' It's not just a matter of the guy who owns 20 houses and lives off the rent... what about my squat mate who keeps his fucking stereo locked up in his own room?

Let's get down to the nitty gritty. Let's make a start by murdering all the rich parasites who live in luxury off our backs! Print this, bastards, or go on my personal death list!

(Name & address on our list)

Dear CROWBAR,

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Dear Customer... This voucher entitles you to £5 off your next court fine, or one day off your next custodial sentence, or one less broken rib than usual.

This offer only applies to one person per household, and can only be used once. This voucher should be handed to your arresting officer, along with your kidney donor card. Offer expires should you either die or become a Freemason.

Det. Supts. Marochni and Speed, Chief Pigs, Brixton Nick.
11.00 o clock on a Saturday morning, and I am driving a full vanload of anarcho punks to Henley, what a hell of a hangover! We arrive at the turnoff, the smallest back route we can find, 7 miles from Henley, and there's a cop car parked by the entrance. A quick detour round the lanes and we're past them without being clocked... We assume the main roadblocks are further down... Fuck this! They're bound to nick us and the vans, as at Stonehenge... And the rumours, 2000 pigs waiting for us, searchlights, dogs, parkmen, army alert, dragging the river for 6 weeks before...

This, I was thinking, must be the most suicidal stop The City yet, courtesy of Class War. In fact this was worse than the 1st 2nd and 4th STC's, I had seen no organisation, no patient build up of networks and trust, no meetings locally, no benefits, no meet up points, no legal briefing, no creche. All they seemed to have done was print 1000's of leaflets and to brilliantly and successfully court the National media.

I had a hangover, as I say, driving into Henley with everyone flat on the floor... Then we were right in Henley, no blocks, and parked and unloaded with no problem at all! Meet at 6.00 we said, and split up.

I walked around Henley with a pretty smartly dressed friend... and I was sickened, shocked and intimidated by what I saw. The police we had expected, wall to wall pigs of every possible stripe, perhaps 1000 in all. But they weren't nicking everyone. Obviously they'd decided to play it cool, maybe they'd noted from Bash The Rich that our bark is much worse than our bite. No, what shocked me was the sheer wealth displayed with such arrogance, living in the ghetto you forget it a bit... I had never seen anything like it! They had these special Enclosures, swanky Clubs, bars restaurants and reserved carparks for every fucking layer of the Upper Class, the object being to flaunt your wealth and status in the face of your lessers! The cheapest area was the Stewards Enclosure, only £50 for a ticket! (The Henley Gazette said this ed right over and a Rolls badly smashed up. Then there was the bridge... All the super rich just HAD to take out their Cruisers and head high and dry while driving up and down before the envious mobs. The bridge had police lines hemming the pavement on both sides, to stop us blocking it and keep us moving. But lots of people still jeered, spat and threw things at the Rich passing below (Quite a few got nicked this way). One friend of mine claims that he lobbed a brick into a helmeted pig that was holding up the bridge. Heart glass! At about 3pm a few hundred tried to block the bridge, shouting, jeering and singing before being dispersed. This was the only gathering, and its impossible to say how many we were... I think about 400, half dressed as punks or bikers and half trying to look cool. Around this time came the successful attack on the Club (and mosque), with lots of damage, I spoke to a woman who set papers on fire before fleeing. Back in the town centre arguments and scuffles were breaking out between rich people and the anarchists (we had found the off licence) and saw people being physically attacked for asking rich people for 10p. There was at least one well dressed gang going round attacking rich people at random and blending in with the crowd, they were relatively well defended, with lookout posts, lines of vans, halls full of reserves and plenty of plain clothes, but they were fairly restrained, and only 53 people were nicked altogether. Half of these had their charges dropped of the rest, I know of one £100 fine for damage to a car. Another on bail for ABH to a cop (biting him during an arrest). Another who had to report to the pigsty daily until her trial. Another for obstruction. Nothing very major really. (Why don't CW have a decent Bust fund?) Not all those nicked were anarchists, two spent the time inside slagging and wanking off in front of women prisoners.

By 8.30pm when we left, 4 from our van had been nicked and taken to Reading. One person nicked was 'allowed to see' leaflets with names and photos of 5 of the CW "leaders" which were circulated amongst the cops. Must be a wind-up, don't they know we don't have leaders? At the huge Reading nick we were told all were being held overnight for a special court, but they started letting people out just after we left:

So what of Henley? A big success I reckon, I didn't do much but I wish I had (got drunk & fell asleep in the sun). Many people were in shock at the sheer arrogant wealth, we weren't tooled up and had to improvise. For example some women pissed in their beer cans (there was no place to piss for proles)...

Then they threw it over rich shits...

-Jolly bad show. Throwing beer on us now is it? said one beautifully dressed couple.
-"No, Ha Ha it’s Piss", our friend replied.
STOP HENLEY!

Typical stuff, then there were all the stories of anarchists in too good disguise getting attacked by other ones, and Rich Wakefield getting beaten unconscious, no no. So Henley was a good laugh (only good I must say cos they chose not to nick us all) and an eye opener into the power and prestige of our RULERS, above all a brilliant idea.

As we left our comrades banged up in Reading nick for the night and headed back for London, a great fireworks display could be seen in the North sky over Henley. The ruling class were celebrating the survival of their wealth and power.

BED & BREAKFAST BAD AND BREAK UP FAST BAD AND BRICK FAST

Already evicted B & Bers are moving around the country or into London in search of a roof over their head. The next B & B in London the first wave of B & B evictions is expected in August, and it seems that most of those affected by the new laws are unaware of what is going to happen. Many squat and housing activists got involved with HASSL (Homeless Against Social Security Laws) but it proved to be a frustrating and time-consuming experience. Apart from Camden HASSL the groups are dominated by well-paid and housed social workers producing stacks of minutes, drawing up complicated constitutions, but have been unable to reach any of the B & B-ers. E.g. Lambeth HASSL have so far not produced one decent leaflet. They are extremely keen on helping people with their individual cases, get exemptions etc., in stead of facing it as a collective problem. They must be dealt with by collective action. They get so carried away with it they forget that no one wants to live in a B & B anyway. Some of us suspect that HASSL is discouraging/preventing people to organise. HASSL can only be effective if organised by the B & B-ers themselves and it’s not going to happen this way. Squatters are now trying to reach B & Bers through leafleting and flyposting DHSS and housing offices and hopefully continue the fight against homelessness in a more direct way: lots of empty rooms available, HELP YOURSELVES.

Homeless people are being referred to squatters organisations by the local council housing offices all the time.

SHITE HASSLED IN HARINGEY BRILLIANT

People in Haringey found out that Ted Knight was coming to speak to Haringey council. We went along to the council meeting anyway as we were talking about homelessness and the new B & B laws. About 6 of us went along with banners, leaflets and posters. Ted the Shite was sitting really close to us and when he got up to speak we shouted that we hadn’t forgotten Effra Parade, and "Who evicts creches?" We put up our posters saying that he was a paid thug and involved in corruption. We shouted through most of his speech (which was a scrounge for Lambeth council heroically not setting a rate) on his way out he was bombarded with paper balls. Two of us rushed up and found him waiting for a car outside the Civic centre. We told him that we wanted to talk to him and he said that he was waiting for a car and was busy. We then told him that we knew about his fraud and corruption. He then threatened to sue us for libel, but we pointed out there was nobody to hear us. He also said that if our filthy paper Crowbar was worth a penny he would sue it for everything that it’s got. We then told him that if he’d touch 121 we’d fucking touch him. He asked if that was a threat and we said ‘No, just telling what would happen’. He then hurried back to the Civic centre to wait for his car. I think we’ve shit him up quite well now he must think that he can’t go out of Lambeth and be free of trouble.

If people do this every time he speaks anywhere I’m sure he’ll think twice about evicting 121!

Yours in solidarity, Haringey comrades.

CHELSEA SQUATTERS

Now running for almost a year on Ebury Bridge Rd. Chelsea: a semi-organised squat in aging council block. The block has been emptied of council tenants a and is being occupied by about 40-50 squatters in about 30 flats, plus 10 or so families that are short-term housing ass. tenants). They are awaiting the sale of the block a late 86-87 to Barretts to have it converted to private luxury flats. There is a very close community spirit and if mass-eviction does occur (which has been threatened) there is hope that a similar set up can be established elsewhere with a large exodus of squatters if necessary.
CROWBAR

Competition Answers

The Crowbar will be, from now on, free to prisoners. Just write to us and give us an address and we'll send them on.

CROWBAR SUBS

Crowbar is now taking subscriptions, so how can you afford to not getting yours regularly? Write to us at BM Box Hurricane, London WC1 £2.50!!!

Please send us any news from your part of the world, along with any graphics, ideas, mean, can we just sit here all the bleeding hand from time to time.

MAGAZINE REVIEWS

Anarchist papers in Britain have doubled over the last couple of years and it's Brilliant..... but it could still be better. Why not make your own? Even if it's only a one sided sheet, it's better than nothing. You can print it, photocopy it. Duplicate it. Whatever it's great that class war can sell nine thousand copies of one issue, but what would be greater would be to see nine thousand different anarchist papers in Britain.

Go for it!

The CROWBAR crew

Volya........... News from the 'communist' world. Tales of resistance and oppression. A vital source of news. 10p from 63 Gregory Crescent, E11ham, London, SE2 6DF.

Green Anarchist.... ecologically sound @ mag, tends to be a bit wishy washy pacifist, but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't be concerned about our environment. Has o.k. articles now and then. Lost the adress, but it's available from Freedom Bookshop 84b Whitechapel High Street, London E1.

Black Chip....... new magazine for anarchists with computers. This must be the most important development recently, how to get back at corporations and the state, using their own weapons, I reckon everyone should start taking top courses in computers, rather than ignoring them! 40p from 55 Dupont St, London SW2 0HE.

Solidarity....... pretty boring lefty anarchist stuff, was out now and then... an attempt to bridge the gap between socialist thinking and last weeks breakfast.. 60p (what!) C/O 13 E11ham Rd London E6.

And now the ones we left out of the puzzle....

Kick it Over........ Quarterly magazine from Canada, a bit up and down, but well worth reading. Discusses things other @ mags leave out. Always interesting. 50c from P.O. Box 9611, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5W 1P2.


Anarchist Feminist mag...75p The authentic voice of anarcho feminism, buy now while stocks last, (approx. 5000 left). 121 Railton Rd, Brixton.
SQUAT ADVICE ADDRESSES

Brixton Brixton Squatters Aid,
Sunday 3 - 5 pm 121 Railton Road 274 6655
Southwark Squatters Network Of Walworth
352 Old Kent Road 701 5804 Mon-Fri 4-7
Camden Camden Squatters Aid
4 Carol St. Tues. 8 pm
Islington Islington Housing Action
287 Upper St. especially Sun. 2 pm
Harvington 'Homes for All'
Meeting room, 32 Alexandra Rd. fri. 7.30
Dalston c/o A.S.S.
General Advisory Service for Squatters
2 St. Pauls Rd., 359 8814. Mon-Fri 2-6pm
Hackney c/o ASS, see article in this issue

TRENDFICATION

Now the dust has settled in the great Rates Rebellion saga, its time to take stock. Many people are confused as to why Crowbar has not supported the Council in its gallant stand against the Tories. Surely, cry the readership, you don't support ratecapping?

No, we don't. But that doesn't mean we're fooled by the bleating of middleclass Labour hacks about 'jobs and services'. We know what they're on about. Loads of the councils money goes on paying out £10,000 a year to a swarm of 'Community Workers', who, armed with a sociology degree and a labour party card, go around telling us how oppressed we are before slopping off to some trendy wine-bar they saw listed in City Limits.

Loads more goes on stupid tarting up of Brixton, to make an environment these parasites can feel comfortable in. (It's just like Islington.)

Painted railway bridges, ridiculous red paving stones, and in a project reminiscent of the Tsars of Russia, facelifts Electric Avenue without touching the squalid interiors of the flats inside.

These are services we can do without.

Yes, the inner cities need facilities, but they should be run by the working class, not by a bunch of alternative commissars, whose response to initiatives taken by the community is to destroy whatever they cannot gain control over. If the money paid out on the salaries of these 'upwardly mobiles' (so called because scum always rises to the top) was given to the plain people of Lambeth, to do up their estates, set up nurseries, social centres, workshops etc, we'd be getting somewhere!

In the last analysis, rates, like taxes, are just legalized extortons. We have no control over how they're spent, just as we have no real control over our lives and our area. Struggles between different factions of the owners are a diversion from the struggle to gain that control.

A squatters association has been formed on the Nightingale Estate to support squatters facing eviction and force the council to get their head out of the fucking sand and put their thousands of homeless into their thousands of empty homes.

Initial response from the Council: 'We don't condone squatting' so there you are: no care from 'radical socialist' Hackney that people have to live on the streets.

We would like to meet other squatters groups and fight the council together.

Contact us through ASS or 5 Olympus Sq. on the estate (day) or 84 Farnell Point ditto.

YO HO PICNICS

The YO MEN present...picnics at...
Claissold Pk,Stoke Newington (near the ponds).8th AUG.
Hampstead Heath (Ken wood) 15th August.
Finsbury Pk.(North Side) 22nd August.
Abney Park Cemetery,Stoke Newington...29th August.
ALL START THURS AT 8PM -BRING YOUR OWN FOOD/DRESS MUSIC

MINERS IN PRISON...JUMBLE SALE.
SAT 17TH AUG. 2pm. 121 RAILTON RD.524.
LEST WE FORGET...done by Anarchist Black Cross

ANTI RACE CAPPING MARCH THROUGH LAMBETH,
WED 14TH AUG.Your chance to lobby Ted.

ASHFORD REMAND CENTRE
Greetings to all friends still in this horibble nick, we have got a report that CROWBAR has been smuggled into the prison, inside a copy of the BEANO. Hope you're still having High Times!

LAMBETH LABOUR PARTY RALLY...JULY 29. 8pm
Assembly Rooms.Lambeth Town Hall.50p. With Ted Knight-Arthur Scargill etc...maybe Tony Benn & Dennis Skinner... ANOTHER CHANCE TO LOBBY TED!!

DISTRIBUTION NEWS
We will shortly be bringing CROWBAR to the newsstands in the Midlands Area.

Could anyone help in this worthy project??
Please write to us

We are always pleased to send you copies on a reciprocal basis with your local @ s. on a one to one basis Just send us packages with the stamps well soaked for immediate attention!!

TED'S ACCENT-The South African connection

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YOUR MIND ISN'T THE ONLY THING GOVERNMENTS DAMAGE.

NUCLEAR Fallout
MENTAL PROBLEMS
UNEMPLOYMENT
THATCHER'S HAIRCUT
PARTY POLITICAL BROADCASTS
DRUG DEPENDANCY
POVERTY
HOMELESSNESS

It can also have some pretty nasty effects on your life. All of which you can start suffering long before you become addicted. You'll probably start looking ill, losing weight and feeling like death. You'll begin to vote not to get high any more, but just to feel normal. And, as you lose control of your future, you could lose control of your mind too.

Until one day you'll wake up knowing that, instead of you controlling the government, it now controls you. So, if a politician asks you to vote for him, use your brain while you still can. And say no.

GOVERNMENTS REALLY SCREW YOU UP.
Today, 24th July, 85, the Creche at 24 Brailsford Road was evicted by order of Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth Council. They came without warning, vanloads of police, housing staff and hired thugs. The 'moles' failed, the alarm failed. By the time we arrived the police had sealed off the area and the bailiffs and workers were throwing kids toys, creche equipment and personal belongings into the street.

A brutal and senseless eviction of a successful self help scheme by desperate young and single mothers. We stood around stunned as the bailiffs and cops laughed in our faces!

We never quite believed they would do it again, after all the publicity, petitioning and demonstrations. They had evicted the place on 19th April illegally but it had been resquatted. But this time there will be no resquat, the council has given it to a religious group (Moslems) who immediately had their women moving in stuff and scrubbing the place. What a brilliant piece of Divide and Rule!

We didn't believe they would do it, barricading ad been held off as it would ruin the Creche, but was due, ironically to begin today. There were no negotiations, no chance of rehousing... the Creche is homeless and the kids have nowhere to play. So this is the true face of the 'socialist' Lambeth Council, the Labour Party that CARES to send in their riot police and bully boys against our kids!... So much for promises. So much for lobbying and the 'right channels'. The time has come for us all to unite and fight back. We will squat another place for the Creche... and we will never let Ted Knight forget this day...