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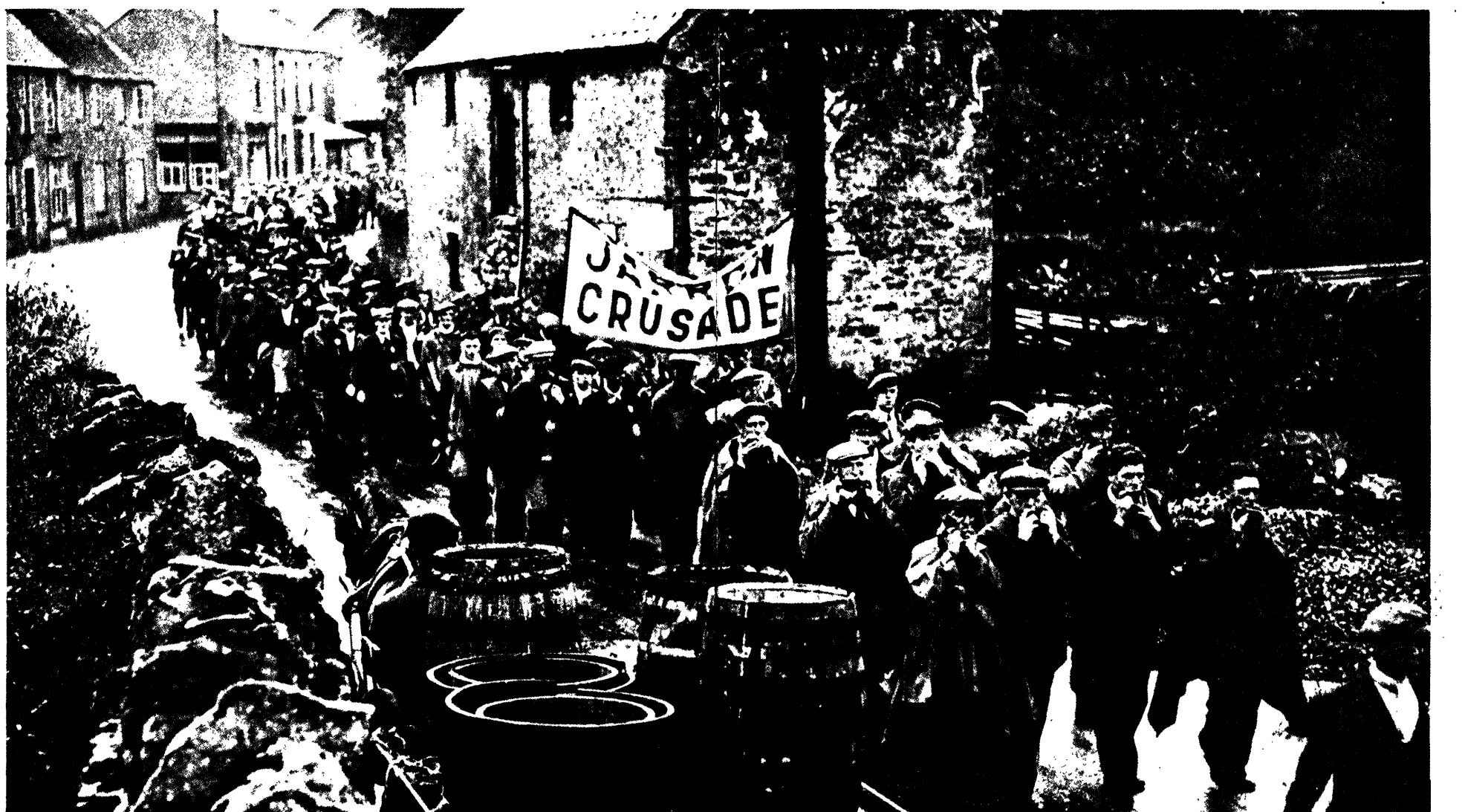
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Every right the working class has got is under attack from the Tories. Everyone

should come out together now and defend their rights.

The cost of living today is so high you just can't cope with it. It's got out of all proportion. And unemployment is up over a million. It's Tory policy of course. They want 12 men looking for every job.

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There's only one man who produces the wealth and that's the man on the job and he should have the money.

In 1947, when they nationalized the mines and after all the promises, everyone thought it would be a good thing. To own the pits was the pinnacle of the miners' dreams. But what does it mean today? Nothing.

I remember private enterprise, crawling about on my knees. Nobody wants to go back to that. I read Sydney and Beatrice Webb once and if nationalization was run properly it would be a great thing. It's bound to work.

It's not nationalization today. It can't be proper nationalization without workers' control. They should nationalize all the industries, but do it properly from top to bottom and not just change the name and leave the same old people at the top.

When they brought the new machines in they told us it would make life easier, but it's dirtier and more dangerous than ever and it's just put men out of a job.

Volcano

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Today you've either got to be for the men or the upper crust. You can't be both. It's one or the other.

I'm not a communist. But I believe in a lot of the communist thought. I've read a lot. I think things are going that way. We've tried the Labour Party and the Conservative Party. So now there's only one party left to try. I'd vote for a communist any day.

If Labour were elected again tomorrow they wouldn't be able to cope.

We've got to win this strike. Not having pay has made me more determined than ever. Things are bad enough now and I think they'll get a whole lot worse.

They're going to cut down on our tax rebate in April, but I'd be a bit surprised if they touch social security. There'd be a revolution if they did that.

Social security is the main difference between now and 1926. As long as the wife and children can have something we don't care about ourselves.

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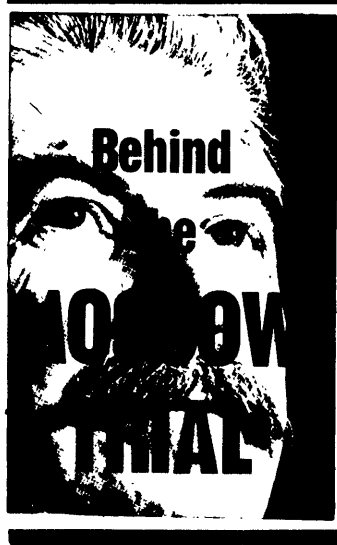
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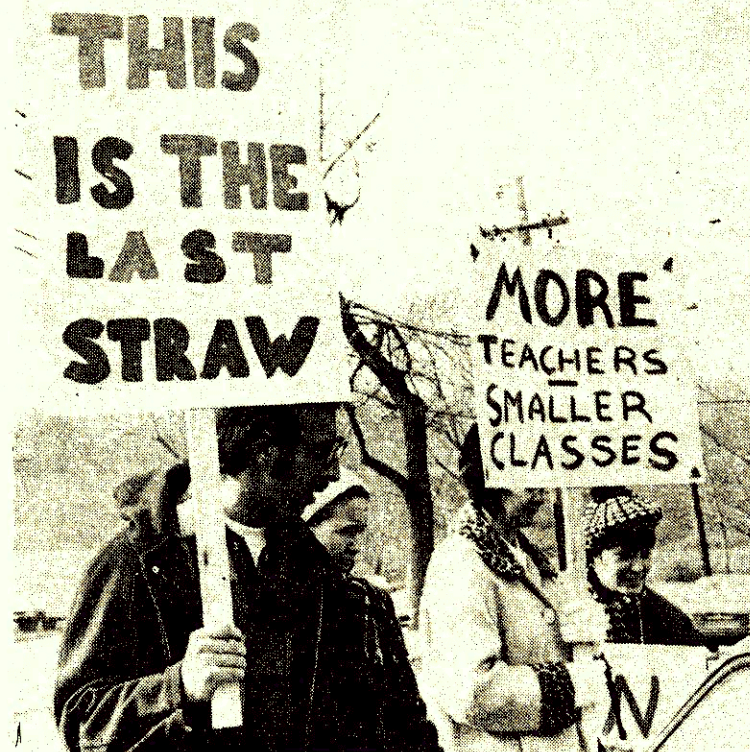
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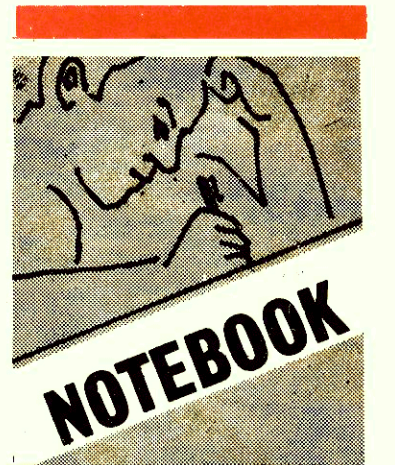
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Yugoslavia also hopes to boost its trade with Turkey from the present level of \$18m a year. Eralp's visit is a clear expression of the growing ties between Stalish military regime. After visiting Belgrade, Eralp went on to Sofia in Bulgaria for more talks.

Hartford closure - a 'death cell'

A CLOSURE threat has hit Hartford, Connecticut.

Royal Typewriter Co, one of Hartford's largest employers, has told its 1,500 production workers that it is closing down its operations in the city and re-locating to more 'economical facilities' abroad.

Royal, which has operated in the city over the past 64 years, was recently bought out by Litton Industries, a \$1,000m conglomerate.

Concessions

The 1,500 workers are what is left of 5,000 who worked on production during World War II.

Only a year and half ago 2,600 worked in the plant. Since then the United Auto Workers' Local 937 leadership has made continuous concessions to the company, renewing its expired con-

tract three times and offering to forego wage increases if the company would remain in Hartford.

Hard line

Stig Lindholtz, business agent for Local 937, announced that he is now trying to negotiate severance pay for the Royal workers but added that the company is taking a hard line.

He then went on to say that for the last 18 months, since the first rumours of the move began circulating, it had felt like being in a death cell and you hope you are going to be reprieved.

A spokesman for Litton Industries said this week that negotiations about the phasing of the closure were still going on.

Many of the workers at Royal are both older and skilled. Their chances of finding decent jobs in Hartford, with its present high rate of unemployment, are slim.

It is in this context that Lindholtz's comparison to a 'death cell' can be understood. More and more the decisions corporations and their government make today bring into question the very survival of the working class.

Hartford's Mayor Athanson, in response to the plant closure, called for federal legislation to block companies from closing up shop and moving overseas to take advantage of lower production costs.

Transferring

However, as one worker at Royal put it, 'it seems to me that the only guy who could do anything about it now is Nixon and he sure isn't doing anything for us'.

Production is likely to be transferred to Hull and Leicester, England, and a Litton plant in Holland.

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9.38 For Schools. 12.55 Canu'r Bobol. 1.30 Mr Benn. 1.45 News, weather. 2.05 For Schools. 2.25 Racing from Kempton. 4.15 Play School. 4.40 Jackanory. 4.55 Deputy Dawg. 5.05 Crackerjack 72. 5.44 Sir Prancelot. 5.50 News, weather. 6.00 LONDON THIS WEEK. 6.20 TOM AND JERRY. 6.25 THE VIRGINIAN, Western. 7.40 COMEDY PLAYHOUSE. Ronald Fraser in 'Born Every Minute'. 8.10 A MAN CALLED IRONSIDE. Escape. 9.00 NEWS, Weather. 9.20 THE ONEDIN LINE. Winner Take All. 10.10 COME DANCING. North of England v East Midlands. 10.45 24 HOURS. 11.15 FILM: 'WHERE THE SIDEWALK ENDS'. Dana Andrews, Gene Tierney, Policeman with a reputation for brutality accidentally kills suspect during interrogation.

BBC 2

11.00 Play School. 5.35 Open University. 6.35 Which Way? 7.05 OPEN UNIVERSITY. 7.30 NEWSROOM, Weather. 8.00 MONEY PROGRAMME. Abu Dhabi in the Persian Gulf. 9.00 SOLO. Tom Courtenay as D. H. Lawrence. 9.20 REVIEW. Edward Albee interviewed. History of Sadler's Wells. 10.10 JOYCE GRENFELL. 10.40 NEWS, Weather. 10.45 LATE NIGHT LINE-UP.

ITV

10.20 For Schools. 2.30 Matinee. 3.00 Houseparty. 3.10 Tea Break. 3.40 British Museum. 4.10 Drive-In. 4.40 Pinky and Perky. 4.55 Arthur. 5.20 Bright's Boffins. 5.50 News. 6.00 TODAY. 6.30 F TROOP. 7.00 THE SKY'S THE LIMIT.

7.30 THE PERSUADERS. Read and Destroy. 8.30 THE FENN STREET GANG. 9.00 SPYDER'S WEB. The Executioners. 10.00 NEWS. 10.30 SHIRLEY'S WORLD. Shirley MacLaine. 11.05 THE FBI. The Gray Passenger. 12.00 COLLECTING ON A SHOESTRING. 12.25 THE POLARIZED SOCIETY.

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Threatening

It is significant that interest in Hughes emerges precisely as the crisis of his system, and the movement of the working class, is threatening the profits he and his class amassed during the post-war boom.

For US president Nixon's August 15, 1971, severance of the dollar from gold reveals the fictitious character of much of the capital Hughes and others based their fortunes on in that boom.

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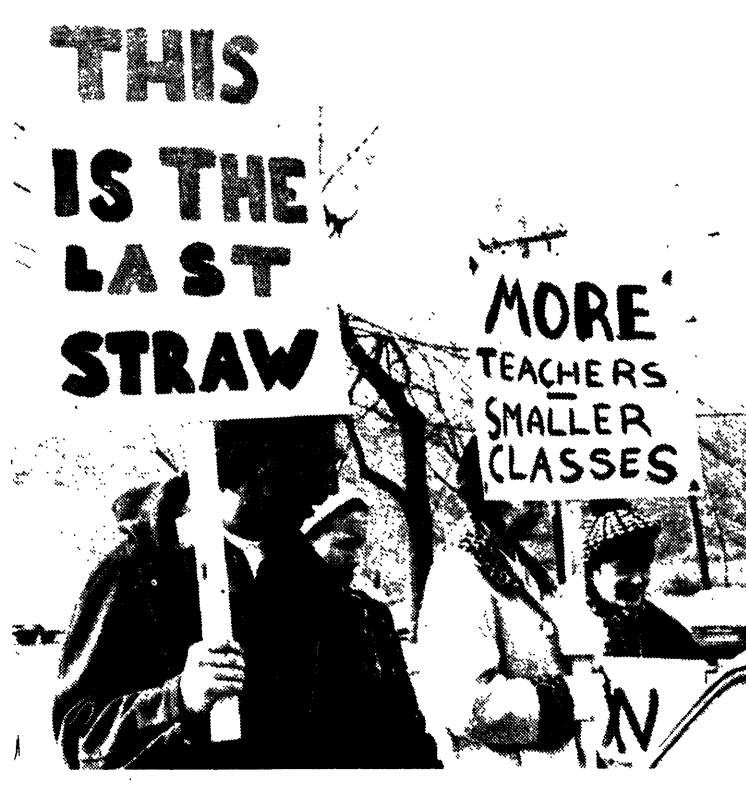
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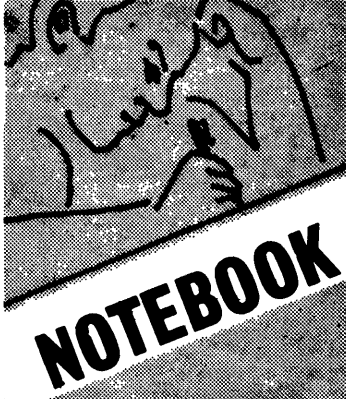
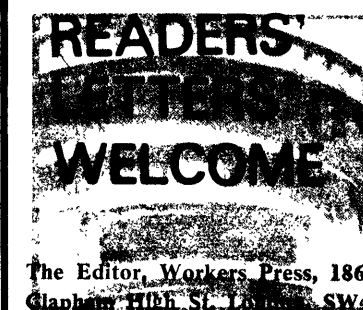
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It notes that the final draft of a consular convention is being prepared 'on legal assistance in criminal cases and extradition'. In other words, Yugoslav authorities are prepared to hand over 'offenders' (perhaps including political opponents of the Turkish generals) to the tender mercies of the regime's courts martial.

Yugoslavia also hopes to boost its trade with Turkey from the present level of \$18m a year. Eralp's visit is a clear expression of the growing ties between Stalinism and the reactionary Turkish military regime. After visiting Belgrade, Eralp went on to Sofia in Bulgaria for more talks.

Hartford closure - a 'death cell'

A CLOSURE threat has hit Hartford, Connecticut.

Royal Typewriter Co, one of Hartford's largest employers has told its 1,500 production workers that it is closing down its operations in the city and re-locating to more 'economical facilities' abroad.

Royal, which has operated in the city over the past 64 years, was recently bought out by Litton Industries, a \$1,000m conglomerate.

Concessions

The 1,500 workers are what is left of 5,000 who worked on production during World War II.

Only a year and half ago 2,600 worked in the plant. Since then the United Auto Workers' Local 937 leadership has made continuous concessions to the company, renewing its expired con-

tract three times and offering to forego wage increases if the company would remain in Hartford.

Hard line

Stig Lindholtz, business agent for Local 937, announced that he is now trying to negotiate severance pay for the Royal workers but added that the company is taking a hard line.

He then went on to say that for the last 18 months, since the first rumours of the move began circulating, it had felt 'like being in a death cell and you hope you are going to be reprieved.'

A spokesman for Litton Industries said this week that negotiations about the phasing of the closure were still going on.

Many of the workers at Royal are both older and skilled. Their chances of finding decent jobs in Hartford, with its present high rate of unemployment, are slim.

It is in this context that Lindholtz's comparison to a 'death cell' can be understood. More and more the decisions corporations and their government make today bring into question the very survival of the working class.

Hartford's Mayor Athanson, in response to the plant closure, called for federal legislation to block companies from closing up shop and moving overseas to take advantage of lower production costs.

Transferring

However, as one worker at Royal put it, it seems to me that the only guy who could do anything about it now is Nixon and he sure isn't doing anything for us.

Production is likely to be transferred to Hull and Leicester, England, and a Litton plant in Holland.



BBC-2, 9.00: Tom Courtenay as D. H. Lawrence in the SOLO programme.

TODAY'S PROGRAMMES

BBC 1

9.38 For Schools. 12.55 Canu'r Bobol. 1.30 Mr Benn. 1.45 News, weather. 2.05 For Schools. 2.25 Racing from Kempton. 4.15 Play School. 4.40 Jackanory. 4.55 Deputy Dawg. 5.05 Crackerjack 72. 5.44 Sir Prancelot. 5.50 News, weather. 6.00 LONDON THIS WEEK. 6.20 TOM AND JERRY. 6.25 THE VIRGINIAN, Western. 7.40 COMEDY PLAYHOUSE. Ronald Fraser in 'Born Every Minute'. 8.10 A MAN CALLED IRONSIDE. Escape. 9.00 NEWS, Weather. 9.20 THE ONEDIN LINE. Winner Take All. 10.10 COME DANCING. North of England v East Midlands. 10.45 24 HOURS. 11.15 FILM: 'WHERE THE SIDEWALK ENDS'. Dana Andrews, Gene Tierney. Policeman with a reputation for brutality accidentally kills suspect during interrogation.

BBC 2

11.00 Play School. 5.35 Open University. 6.35 Which Way? 7.05 OPEN UNIVERSITY. 7.30 NEWSROOM, Weather. 8.00 MONEY PROGRAMME. Abu Dhabi in the Persian Gulf. 9.00 SOLO. Tom Courtenay as D. H. Lawrence. 9.20 REVIEW. Edward Albee interviewed. History of Sadler's Wells. 10.10 JOYCE GRENFELL. 10.40 NEWS, Weather. 10.45 LATE NIGHT LINE-UP.

ITV

10.20 For Schools. 2.30 Matinee. 3.00 Houseparty. 3.10 Tea Break. 3.40 British Museum. 4.10 Drive-In. 4.40 Pinky and Perky. 4.55 Arthur. 5.20 Bright's Boffins. 5.50 News. 6.00 TODAY. 6.30 F TROOP. 7.00 THE SKY'S THE LIMIT.

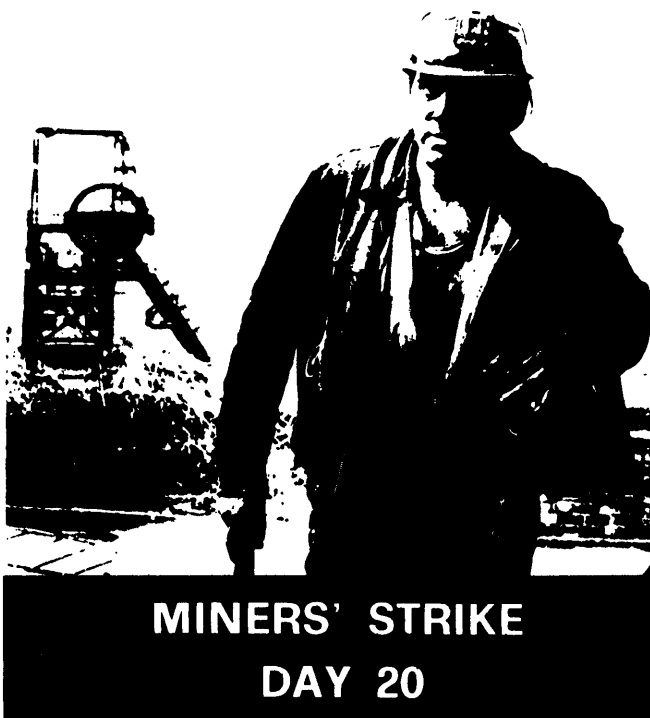
7.30 THE PERSUADERS. Read and Destroy. 8.30 THE FENN STREET GANG. 9.00 SPYDER'S WEB. The Executioners. 10.00 NEWS. 10.15 SHIRLEY'S WORLD. Shirley MacLaine. 11.05 THE FBI. The Gray Passenger. 12.00 COLLECTING ON A SHOESTRING. 12.25 THE POLARIZED SOCIETY.

REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 10.20 Schools. 4.05 Pinky and Perky. 4.20 Puffin. 4.25 Smith family. 4.55 Flintstones. 5.20 Ask Westward. 5.50 London. 6.00 News, weather. 6.10 Report. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 London. 10.30 Weather. 10.32 Name of the game. 11.30 News, weather. WESTWARD. As Channel except: 3.55 Gus Honeyburn. 6.00 Diary. 6.25 Sports Desk. 10.30 Report. 10.58 News. 12.20 Faith for life. 12.25 Weather. SOUTHERN: 3.35 Horoscope. 3.40 Tea break. 4.10 Houseparty. 4.23 Cartoon. 4.30 Crossroads. 4.55 Bottom of the sea. 5.50 News. 6.00 Day by day. 6.40 Out of town. 7.00 London. 8.30 Doctor at large. 9.00 London. 10.30 Weekend. 10.35 Weekend. 10.35 Film: 'Werewolf of London'. 12.05 News. 12.15 Weather. HARLECH: 10.20 Schools. 3.50 Women only. 4.15 Tinkertainment. 4.30 Crossroads. 4.55 Cowboy in Africa. 5.50 News. 6.01 Report. West. 6.18 Report Wales. 6.35 Bonanza. 7.30 London. 10.30 Second look. 11.00 Department 5. 12.00 Weather. HTV Wales and HTV Cymru/Wales as above except: 6.01-6.18 Y Ddyd. 10.30-11.00 Outlook. ANGLIA: 3.55 News. 4.00 Romper room. 4.20 Tea break. 4.50 Bottom of the sea. 5.50 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 London. 10.30 Bygones. 11.00 Film: 'Konga'. 12.35 Living word. ATY MIDLANDS: 3.10 Yoga. 3.30 Horoscope. 3.45 Women today. 4.10 Julia. 4.40 Hatty town. 4.55 Lost in space. 5.50 News. 6.00 Today. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Fenn St. 7.30 London. 8.30 Jimmy Stewart. 9.00 London. 10.30 Film: 'Young Fury'. ULSTER: 10.20 Schools. 4.30 Romper room. 4.50 News. 4.55 Lost in



IN MONDAY'S Workers Press, Wheldale colliery miner and Socialist Labour League member Brian Lavery opened a discussion on 'Miners and the Tory government'. Here a young Yorkshire pit worker expresses his view.



MINERS' STRIKE DAY 20

Miners are looking for adequate leaders

I THINK the article says what most people are thinking. Slowly miners are realizing what's happening and what is at stake, says 23-year-old Chris Rigg, faceworker at Bentley colliery, Doncaster.

They left the clerical workers in the lurch when they called off the picket at the NCB HQ. Its disgusting and COSA [clerical section of the NUM] will never come out with us again. Now they're trying to crush Wheldale because they're putting forward a policy for fighting.



CHRIS RIGG

ers' control and without compensation, as the article says. Then we could control our own output. They say the pits are not viable. But I could see them doing well and making a profit under workers' control.

We then have to appeal to the rank and file in other unions to call meetings and come out with us. What connection did we see between the Young Socialists' Right-to-Work marches and the fight of the miners?

"Watch Your Leaders" sticks in my mind. The paper has the right ideas to educate workers and lead them towards socialism. Workers are now moving slowly towards this position. They're elaborating and thinking about it. The Communist Party might try and move in now, but they want to continue with capitalism, with peaceful co-operation.

Tanks answer Nixon's dove manoeuvres

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

AS HANOI denounced Nixon's fraudulent eight-point peace plan for Vietnam, there were growing signs of preparations for a new Tet offensive in the Central Highlands.

About 50 N Vietnamese tanks are poised for attack in the area where the Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia borders meet. Increased military activity has been reported in other places, including an attack on the US base of Cam-Ranh in the S.

Nixon's proposals are designed to save his S Vietnamese puppets from military defeat and collapse. The stratagem of elections would enable the Thieu regime to influence the results and would put the guerrillas at a disadvantage.

Hanoi has made it clear that the question of American troop withdrawals must be linked with the ending of US backing for the Thieu clique so that a new government can be formed in the S free of US control.

Failing this, a broadcast statement said, the people of Indo-China are determined to persevere in and accelerate the anti-US national salvation resistance struggle until complete victory.

Talks

Nixon's plan was launched at the same time as the disclosure that his leading foreign policy adviser, Dr Henry Kissinger, had held secret peace talks with the N Vietnamese delegation to the Paris 'peace' talks.

It is intended to disarm domestic critics and influence the electorate in the presidential election later this year.

The N Vietnamese have criticized the US administration for releasing details of the secret talks which it had proposed and promised to keep secret.

In Moscow, 'Pravda' made a mild criticism of the failure to give an exact date for complete US withdrawal, pointing to the fact that the main concentration of US bombing strength is now in Thailand.

Kissinger, in a comment on the secret talks, claimed that the N Vietnamese had indirectly asked the US to get rid of the Thieu regime.

He also disclosed that the N had been offered an economic aid bait of several thousand million dollars if it accepted US terms.

Allende shuffle aids the right

CHILE'S President Salvador Allende today announces a new cabinet, which is likely to include parties not previously represented in the Popular Unity government.

In a new move to the right, the Mining Minister will come from the Radical Party of the Left and the Agriculture Minister from the Christian movement of the Left.

The Radical Party of the Left has been demanding, as a condition of entry into the cabinet, guarantees of ownership for small businessmen and farmers and the end of social unrest.

Political sources say Allende is trying to avoid a head-on clash with the Christian Democrats and the right-wing Nationalist Party.

His 16-member cabinet resigned en bloc last Thursday.

AN ARGENTINE electoral tribunal has declared legal the party of ex-dictator Juan Peron. Known as the Justicialist Party it has been operating illegally since Peron's overthrow in 1955. He is now in Madrid, awaiting the opportunity to return to the Argentine political scene.

Hoover to get the push?

J. EDGAR HOOVER, veteran director of the US Federal Bureau of Investigation, is to go from next November, according to a Chicago 'Tribune' report.

The 78-year-old FBI chief's removal will take place after the Presidential election.

This decision, made by President Nixon himself, follows a number of incidents concerning the FBI in which Hoover has dropped a few clangers.

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HOOVER

on how the FBI spied on campus and black militant organizations and Hoover's public clashes with ex-FBI agents who criticized him.

Hoover, who has been 48 years with the FBI, and is chiefly responsible for its organized spying and witch-hunting in the labour movement, has just two years to go to make his 50 years' service.

No doubt he wants to notch up a half century—and the fact is that the Nixon administration may still find him useful enough to allow him to do so.

NEXT TUESDAY—Special feature on the FBI.

Pearce enters phase two

MEMBERS of the Pearce Commission yesterday back in Salisbury yesterday at the end of the first phase of a two-month long operation to test opinion on the terms of the proposed Anglo-Rhodesian settlement.

After a weekend review of their work so far, the Commission will continue in new parts of the country.

African views on the proposals—which would 'legalize' the Smith regime—were still a general loud 'No'.

Lord Pearce and two of his deputies have also held sessions with the Centre Party and the African National People's Union.

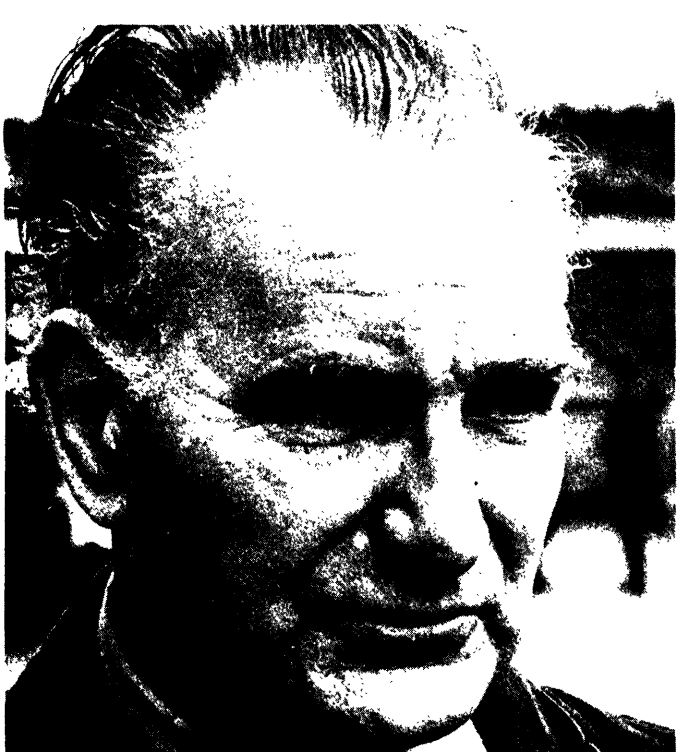
From the African NPU, which wants majority rule now under a one-man, one-vote franchise, came outright rejection of the settlement terms which would leave power indefinitely in the hands of the racist white minority.

The Centre Party gave lukewarm, conditional acceptance. Rhodesia's Prime Minister Ian Smith has made a strong appeal to his Rhodesian Front MPs to 'get out and sell the settlement' and to stage a pro-settlement campaign among Europeans and Africans in their constituencies.

If a determined effort were not made throughout the country, Smith warned, settlement could still 'go down the drain'.

Smith also briefed party men on government steps to combat any further violence of the kind that rocked Rhodesia last week.

DURING THE emergency House of Commons debate on Wednesday, Denis Healey, Shadow foreign affairs spokesman, said the only complaint Labour Party had against the Pearce Commission was that its composition was unsatisfactory.



FORD WORKER BOB STEAD

Ford men back miners

BOB STEAD, a veteran Ford fitter, has learnt hard lessons from car workers' struggles in recent years.

He related these to the pit strike after hearing miners' secretary Lawrence Daly address a mass meeting of Dagenham car men.

It's the pattern of the Ford strike, said Bob. The government aren't going to intervene. So the miners are being forced to sweat it out like the Post Office workers.

Bob has been a Ford worker for 25 years.

He explained: 'Speed-up has been linked up with more machinery and automation in Ford's.'

'In a similar way it's obvious they're closing down the pits where there's more work content.'

Bob believes the miners have a long struggle in front of them.

'The government is out to make the people suffer—to make them go without coal and close the factories down.'

'The Tories hope to build up a back-lash against the miners through witch-hunts in the press.'

Bob ended by saying: 'I think Feather is trying to be helpful—but it's the helplessness of compromise.'

'The Tory government is not looking for compromise. It's trying to break the miners.'

COVENTRY: Sunday, January 31, 11 am. 'Golden Eagle', Howatt Rd, Kersley.

DECCA, the TV, records and radar group, reported profits of £2,128,000 in the half year to September 30—an increase of about £1m on the same period last year.

In spite of large-scale redundancies, the company has announced plans to raise £3m for expansion and expects this year's profits to be higher than last year's figure of £3,004,000.

Defended Wheldale decision

GEORGE WILKINSON is a National Union of Mine-workers' Yorkshire area executive member. Secretary of Houghton Main colliery, he is also on the Barnsley Labour Party executive.

Present at the LP meeting where Wheldale NUM branch was censured for calling for the Tories to resign, Mr Wilkinson dissociated himself completely from the attack.

'I objected strongly to the attack. Saying their moves were unofficial means the executive was attacking the whole of the working class. I have attended similar meetings in the past and will continue to do so.'

'Wheldale are fighting for policies aimed at destroying capitalism and I don't see what's wrong with that. I support the call for mobilizing workers' strength to get the Tories out.'

'The censure exposes the limitations of the area executive. You don't help the cause by weakening the unity of the class. I'll support any action aimed at bringing down the Tories.'

'This is a political question. To carry on talking with Ezra is a complete waste of time. He's under instructions from the government.'

'At the moment the TUC is doing the same with us as they did to the postal workers—nothing. They could muster a forceful voice, but they're holding themselves in the middle.'

'All their 10 million members should be called out on an official strike.'

But Mr Wilkinson disagreed

Bomb campaign in Yugoslavia — Ustashi blamed

WITHIN 24 hours of an explosion in a Yugoslav plane, which crashed in Czechoslovakia, a bomb injured a number of people in a train in Croatia.

Officials attending the Yugoslav League of Communists special conference in Belgrade believe that Ustashi terrorists (right-wing Croatian nationalists) are responsible for both disasters.

A man phoned Stockholm police claiming responsibility for the plane crash on behalf of a Croatian group operating in W Europe. It is not known whether the call was a hoax.

Yugoslav airline officials are not yet able to confirm that there was a bomb in the plane.

The Croatian national question is one of the main themes of the conference which Tito opened by denying that there was a crisis or that Yugoslavia was in danger of disintegrating.

Hull sit-in

HULL students staged a sit-in on Wednesday against their university's refusal to sell £800,000 worth of shares in Reckitt's and Colman's, which has S African interests and owns one of Hull's largest factories. Basil Reckitt is chairman of the university council.

Gromkyo and Fukuda have signed an agreement on cultural exchanges covering publications, scientists, engineers and other specialists.

Sack threat

BETWEEN 100 and 200 workers at Olms Faulkner Engineering, at Colnbrook, near Slough, have been threatened with the sack following a maintenance engineers' overtime ban.

Arctic minerals

MINERAL reserves under the Arctic Ocean are bigger than those of N Canada, Siberia, and Scandinavia, according to Leningrad geologists. Tass News Agency says they base their claim on years of echoing and undersea probes from the Polar icecap.

Japan-Soviet peace deal

NEGOTIATIONS between the Soviet Union and Japan for a peace treaty will begin before the end of the year as a result of Foreign Minister Gromyko's visit to Tokyo.

His Japanese opposite, Takeo Fukuda, said that the place for the talks had not been decided. He denied that any agreement had been reached about the return of the four islands of the Kuriles group to Japan which has held up a peace treaty so far.

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WEATHER

COASTAL areas of E Scotland will have scattered wintry showers, otherwise scotland and N Ireland will be dry. England will have fresh or strong winds and occasional wintry showers but W England and Wales will have a mainly dry day although isolated wintry showers may occur in places. The temperatures will be near normal in N and W Britain but E and S areas will be rather cold.

Outlook for Saturday and Sunday: Continuing rather cold, or cold, with night frost and wintry showers, mainly in the E. Bright intervals in most places.

'Heavy mob' police used on pickets

NORTHUMBERLAND MINERS ALLEGE

NORTHUMBERLAND miners say local police are using a specially-organized 'heavy mob' to break up their picket lines.

A special meeting of the N Northumberland joint strike committee has decided to make an official complaint to the chief constable.

At Woodhorn Colliery two days ago more than 100 police moved in to disperse a 70-strong picket line to allow the manager, J. Fenwick, to go to work.

Alec Wallace, in charge of the pickets, said: 'We consider this was a planned exercise. In five minutes the police were there.'

'The heavy mob moved in. Our men were pushed aside. Some were back-heeled and had skin taken off their shins and suffered bruising.'

'The police, in fact, broke up peaceful picketing.'

The Miners' Strike and the Tory government
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House prices up

HOUSE PRICES soared 15 per cent in the year ending December 31, 1971, the Building Societies Association said yesterday.

The average price rose from £5,205 to £5,897 because of 'high demand set against low supply' which had led to fierce competition.

Cop candidate

ANTHONY JUDGE, editor of the Police Federation magazine 'Police', has been selected as Labour candidate for the forthcoming Kingston-on-Thames by-election. The by-election follows the appointment of Mr John Boyd-Carpenter, a Tory, as chairman of the Air Transport Licensing Board.

Huge shipping investment needed

A SHIPPING magnate yesterday forecast that Britain needs to invest a staggering £3,000m in shipping in the next decade.

Ian Denholm told a Royal Society symposium on shipping that the huge investment was necessary if Britain is to maintain its position in world shipping.

increase in their standard of living as that likely to be enjoyed by other developed peoples, Denholm said.

If large sums were not invested in the industry 'this would not happen', he added.

Denholm is chairman of the Scottish-based ship management firm of Denholm's.