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This incident followed a march by 300 women and children to military headquarters in Girdwood Park on Sunday in protest at the continuous use of CS gas on the New Lodge Rd.

The women stormed the outer gates of the barracks and marched inside shouting slogans against the soldiers.

Reward

Meanwhile, the N Ireland Unionist government stepped up the reward for information

A DRINKS curfew was reintroduced in Belfast last night only two weeks after the ending of a similar ban. The order, which will remain in force until further notice, bans the sale, supply and consumption of drinks in hotels, clubs, pubs and restaurants after 8 p.m.

Ulster Minister of Home Affairs Mr Robert Porter made the order following a special meeting of the Joint Security Committee which discussed the weekend's clashes.

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Belfast has recently been rocked by a series of explosions in the city centre.

Tension is building up this week as another round of Orange celebrations nears. The Apprentice Boys of Derry, a powerful Orange organization, is due to celebrate the siege of Derry next week, though leaders have said they will not defy the government's ban on parades.

Orangemen in Dromara, Co Down, did defy the ban on Saturday when they held their customary march through the town. There were no arrests.

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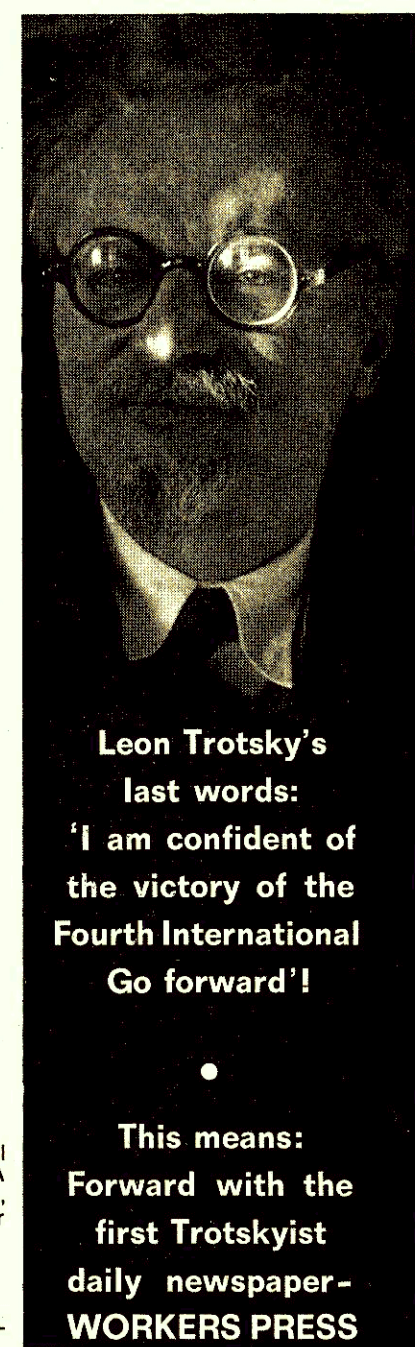
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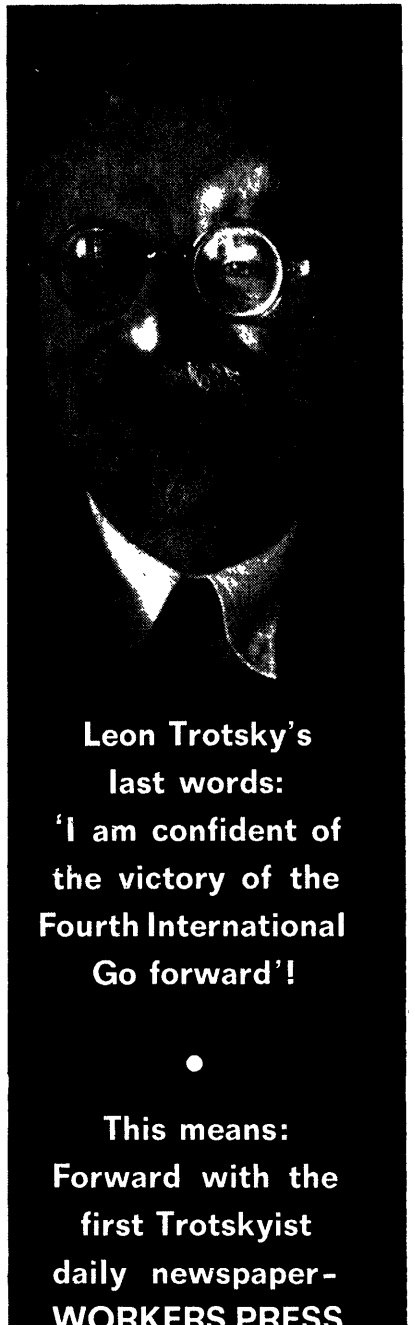
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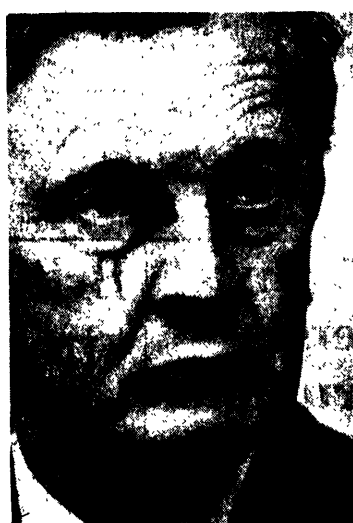
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With the death of Iain Macleod, the 54-year-old ex-accountant, ex-vice-chairman and managing director of British Petroleum, ex-Director-General of the Confederation of British Industry, now moves from being just the common-or-garden newly-elected MP for Knutsford in Cheshire to the confines of Heath's Cabinet.

Davies fits in well with the Tories' plans for a strong, businesslike, businessmen's government, able to deal with the trade unions and the working class.

Industrialists so admired his work as CBI chief from August 1965 until October last year that his resignation provoked the offer of a string of posts as a captain of industry.

In the event, he took on a directorship with the Hill, Samuel group and the Hill, Samuel merchant bank, posts he will now have to relinquish as a member of the 'impartial' Tory government.

As boss-in-chief over most of the period of the Labour government, Davies's own brand of impartiality can be readily documented.

On hearing the details of Barbara Castle's White Paper proposals for disciplining the trade unions at the end of 1968, Davies dismissed them as completely inadequate.

'It is like taking a nutcracker to crack a cannonball,' he scoffed, 'and if she thinks by the means outlined to us she is going to put British industrial relations on its feet in the next decade she has another think coming. It is like imagining you can get rid of a problem by blowing on it.'

The 'problem', of course, was that millions of workers considered that they had the right to strike.

Davies' thinks otherwise. In February of last year, he said the general acceptance of this principle was an 'antidivulian and ridiculous attitude of mind' which had to be exposed.

In a letter to CBI members, he insisted that, while not disagreeing with the Labourites' proposals, 'such procedures i.e. strike ballots, cooling-off periods, etc. need to provide the means for effective settlement of disputes, binding on both parties. They need, moreover, to be enforceable.'

Very clear and, of course, precisely the Tory Government's intention.

Davies did little to hide his disgust as 'In Place of Strife' was battered to death last summer and the penal clauses were dropped.

'The emaciated remains of the White Paper are good enough for the lavatory,' he fumed, which loosely translated meant: 'The Tories will have to do the dirty work.'

Soon afterwards he expressed his intention to leave the CBI and stand for parliament.

As 'The Times' expressed it last Wednesday: 'John Davies . . . has always made it clear he has wanted to move where the power lies.'

His meteoric rise into the Cabinet only three weeks after his maiden speech in the Commons now puts him alongside his reactionary co-thinkers.

And—make no mistake about it—these antidivulian gentlemen will certainly attempt to translate his thoughts into legal practice.

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The minor details

IN A PERIOD of sharp class battles, swift, qualitative changes in the consciousness of sections of the working class are inevitable.

To those impressionists who skate along the surface of politics a strike is a strike and no more.

Thus to win it merely requires a certain level of 'militancy', while all eyes scan the distant horizon for the ever-elusive 'revolutionary development'.

Striking

Eight days ago, striking dockers marched to Tower Hill and a mass meeting of more than 4,000 listened to various speakers from the Transport and General Workers' Union and expressed their intention to defeat the employers and win their demands in full.

Now let Tuesday's 'Financial Times' take up the story:

'As the meeting—which was solidly behind the strike—broke up, a man jumped on to the platform and began to shout: "Support Enoch Powell!" and "Dockers leaders are all Comms!"

'As the man exhorted the dockers to "keep immigrants out of the ports" he was showered with paper cups.

'Scuffling broke out and the man was carried away by policemen.'

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'Make no mistake about it, the only way to fight the racialists is to prepare to lead the working class into big class actions under conditions where they will overcome the poisonous fumes of race or religious prejudice and learn to fight in unity as a class.' (April 27, 1968.)

There are no protest shortcuts in this fight.

The struggle against racialism — against the domination of imperialist bourgeois ideology on the working class — is the struggle to build a leadership to unite the working class on the main issues facing it against the class enemy.

This is what is involved in the national dock strike.

Without this struggle, it is but a short step to the camp of reaction.

Will Paynter joined Lord Pearson in spearheading the Tory attack against the dockers after 40 years as a leading member of the Communist Party and after holding the secretaryship of the National Union of Mineworkers.

And in the recent Wolver-

hampton Council by-election — brought about by the aldermanic elections—one of the National Front candidates standing was one Joe Hyde, an ex-Communist Party member, who stood for years as an 'independent' at local elections.

This huge crisis in the Stalinists' ranks has been explained away as 'disloyalty' and 'poorly-developed politics'.

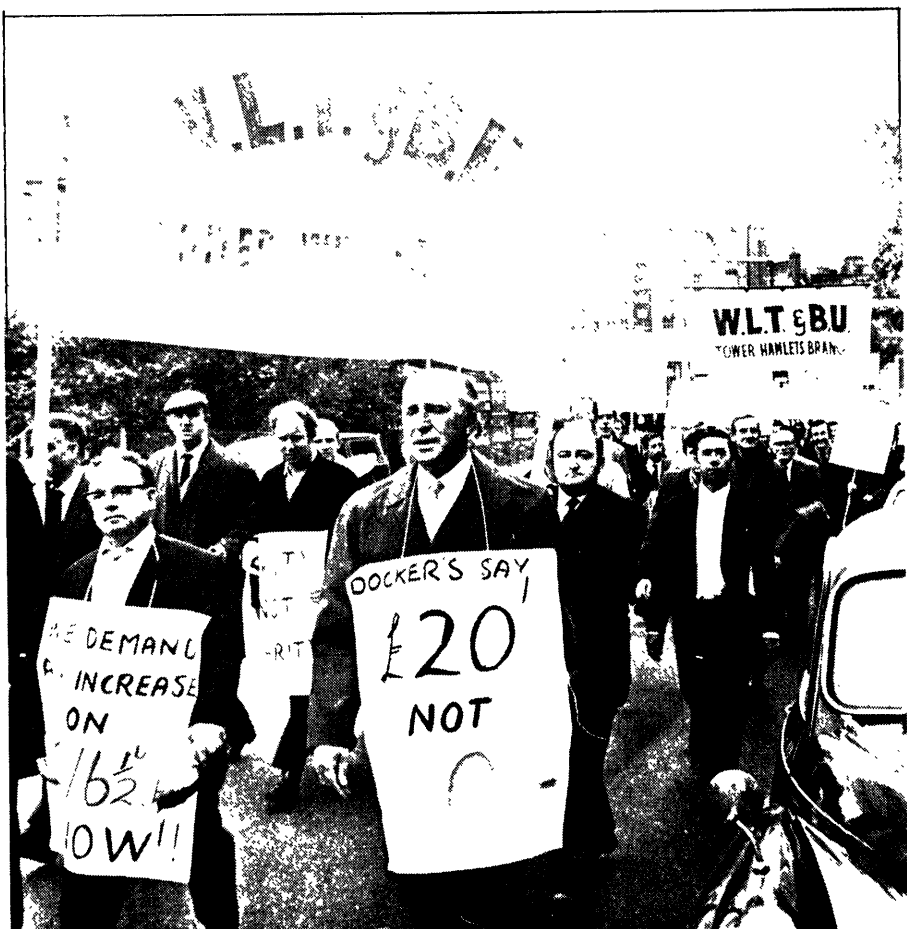
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Movement

But for the revolutionary movement an understanding of these developments is essential in grasping the class tensions in the present crisis.

Above all in Britain—the oldest imperialist country—it is the content developing within the old forms which must be studied in its smallest detail.

That is why the struggle for Marxist leadership is at the centre of the dockers' struggle for victory against the port employers and the Tory government.



THE PUBLICATION of all Trotsky's major writings on the rise of German fascism is most opportune.

In this collection of articles, written in the two years before Hitler's 1933 victory, Trotsky develops not only a rounded-out Marxist analysis of fascism, but lays bare the treachery of the German Stalinists and Social Democrats, who alone made its triumph possible.

BY ROBERT BLACK

Trotsky established in these writings the intimate relationship between the policies pursued by the Stalinist-led parties of the Communist International and the twists and turns of the ruling bureaucracy in the Soviet Union.

So it is important to place these writings in their correct

historical and political setting. From 1927 until Hitler's victory in 1933, the Trotskyists fought as a loyal faction within the Communist International, excluded by the bureaucratic centrist faction of Stalin.

Trotsky insisted—as he does in this book—that until the International had been faced by great historical tasks and found wanting, it would be politically wrong to react against the bureaucratic persecutions of the Stalinists by splitting away to form a new international.

Germany — 'the key to the international situation' as Trotsky rightly described it—was to provide the great test.

Hitler not only broke the back of the once-powerful German workers' movement. His victory was, above all, a direct challenge

to the Soviet regime in Russia. And, contrary to the private beliefs of the Kremlin, which believed that it could live peacefully with a Nazi Germany, Trotsky placed the fascist threat to the Soviet Union right at the centre of his warnings to the German Communist Party:

... for the immediate, perceptible future, for the next 10 to 20 years, a victory of fascism in Germany would mean a suspension in the development of revolutionary Permanent Revolution of the Comintern and the triumph of world imperialism in its most heinous and blood-thirsty forms. A victory of fascism in Germany would signify inevitable war against the USSR.' (p. 16.)

But the German and International Left Opposition did not await the outcome of events fatalistically.

Despite its small resources, the German Left Opposition, with its journal 'The Permanent Revolution', followed every development in the crisis, tirelessly explaining to rank-and-file Communist Party members the need to turn their party towards a united front with the Social Democrats against fascism.

Period

For in this period (from 1929 to 1933) the Communist International, following the example of the Stalinist leadership in Russia, was pursuing an ultra-left, sectarian line of total opposition to limited united actions with reformist parties against the fascist menace.

Trotsky shows how this line arose from the crisis in the Soviet Union, and in particular from the right-wing, opportunist policies pursued in the previous five years since Lenin's death.

From 1924 to 1928, the Stalin faction in the Bolshevik Party leaned for support upon the richer peasants in the country and traders and bureaucrats in the towns.

This was also the period internationally of the 1926 alliance with the TUC during the British General Strike, and the British CP's slogan of 'all power to the General Council', and Stalin's bloc with Chiang Kai-shek in China.

The Reichstag, March 23 1933: Debate on the Enabling Act which was to give Hitler full dictatorial powers.



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IN SPITE OF its being little more than the corpse of the Labour government's incomes policy, now awaiting burial, the Prices and Incomes Board continues to churn out its pronouncements on this or that section of industry.

Report No. 149 appeared recently, dealing with the pay and conditions of workers in the pottery industry. The usual pattern was observed.

That is, a 116-page survey of the industry, with a mass of statistics on pay, hours, holidays, etc., leading to the conclusion that what is required are work study, job evaluation and Measured Day Work schemes to cover all workers concerned.

Hardly a surprise result since the PIB has only ever existed to grant price increases, head off wage claims and promote all manner of 'productivity' methods aimed at boosting the employers' profits.

Predictable

The final recommendations are an entirely predictable conclusion from the day the first reference to the Board is made.

The only reason for the survey—usually based on a superficial examination of a few firms by the

PIB's own team and on a questionnaire sent to all employers—is to find out how these methods should be introduced.

In this case, the PIB recommends that the unions undertake the managements' dirty work of what in effect is preparation for speed-up, breakdown of job demarcation, redundancy and extension of shift work.

The main union involved is the Ceramic and Allied Trades Union, which has a membership of 31,000 (13,000 men, 18,000 women), or nearly 70 per cent of the industry's manual work force. The report advises that:

Programme

'The union will . . . need to organize an intensified programme of training for works representatives covering such matters as the basic facts relating to the industry, payment systems, work study, job evaluation and also implications for employees of working patterns and job content.'

The training of workers in 'basic facts relating to the industry' simply means that the union officials are expected to use company facts and figures to 'prove' that the firms will all go bust and close down unless the workers immediately accept everything the employers put forward.

As for the implication of modernization is concerned, no pretence is made that this will mean easier working, better conditions or shorter hours. Instead, the report states:

... the trend towards greater mechanization which is likely to increase as the rationalization of the industry

proceeds, will call for changes in working practices and will increase the need for shift working.'

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From its earliest days the pottery industry has been notorious for the major health hazards it constituted.

Floating silica dust resulted in pneumoconiosis, the lead solutions for glazing and colouring, resulted in the development of lead poisoning and rotting of bone and flesh.

Also, the extreme of heat and cold in the area of the kilns all contributed to premature old age and death.

Frederick Engels in his book 'The Condition of the Working Class in England in 1844' outlined some of the terrible effects of pottery work in those days:

... by far the most injurious is the work of those who dip the finished article into a fluid containing great quantities of lead, and often arsenic, or have to take the freshly dipped article up with the hand.

'The hands and clothing of these workers, adults and children are always wet with this fluid, the skin softens and falls off under the constant contact with rough objects, so that the fingers often bleed, and are constantly in a state most favourable for the absorption of this dangerous substance.'

Pain

'The consequence is violent pain, and serious disease of the stomach and intestines, obstinate constipation, colic, sometimes consumption, and, most common of all, epilepsy among children.'

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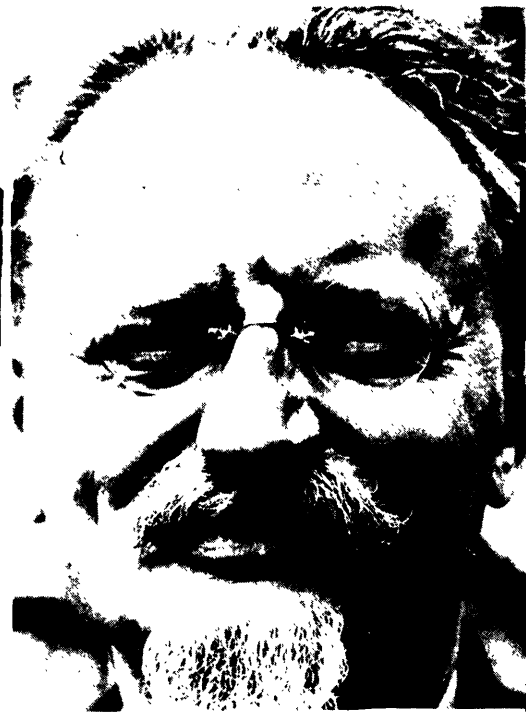
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THE PUBLICATION of all Trotsky's major writings on the rise of German fascism is most opportune.

In this collection of articles, written in the two years before Hitler's 1933 victory, Trotsky develops not only a rounded-out Marxist analysis of fascism, but lays bare the treachery of the German Stalinists and Social Democrats, who alone made its triumph possible.

BY ROBERT BLACK

Trotsky established in these writings the intimate relationship between the policies pursued by the Stalinist-led parties of the Communist International and the twists and turns of the ruling bureaucracy in the Soviet Union.

So it is important to place these writings in their correct

historical and political setting. From 1927 until Hitler's victory in 1933, the Trotskyists fought as a loyal faction within the Communist International, excluded by the bureaucratic centrist faction of Stalin. Trotsky insisted—as he does in this book—that until the International had been faced by great historical tasks and found wanting, it would be politically wrong to react against the bureaucratic persecutions of the Stalinists by splitting away to form a new international.

And, contrary to the private beliefs of the Kremlin, which believed that it could live peacefully with a Nazi Germany, Trotsky placed the fascist threat to the Soviet Union right at the centre of his warnings to the German Communist Party. . . . for the immediate, perceptible future, for the next 10 to 20 years, a victory of fascism in Germany would mean a suspension in the development of revolutionary progress, collapse of the Comintern and the triumph of world imperialism in its most heinous and blood-thirsty forms. A victory of fascism in Germany would signify inevitable war against the USSR. (p. 16)

In this book Trotsky shows how, with the break up of Stalin's alliance with the rich peasant after the 1928 grain crisis and the swing towards forced collectivization, a new, ultra-left policy was foisted on the International. Instead of uncritical alliances with social democrats and trade union bureaucrats, they became 'social fascists'—far more dangerous even than the real fascists. This about-turn coincided with the rise in Germany of the Nazi Party financed by big business to crush the working class and all its organizations—including those of the so-called 'social fascists'.

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pictorum, and paralysis of the whole limbs are ordinary phenomena. . . . In one factory were found in the dipping-house four men all epileptic and all afflicted with severe colic, and eleven boys, several of whom were already epileptic.

'In short, this frightful disease follows this occupation universally; and that too, to the greater pecuniary profit of the bourgeoisie!'

Improvements While substantial improvements have been fought for and won by workers since those times, it is well to remember at what cost the profits were made and the modern industry built.

At the present time, productivity deals are being proposed, not to benefit workers, but to complement modern techniques of production now being introduced—continuous, as opposed to batch production, mechanical conveying and handling, use of automatic machines for many processes, and so on.

At the same time, the employers certainly do not intend to rely on the persuasion of the employees by union leaders to get the desired results, but are expecting direct aid from the Tory government in the form of measures to discipline and break the working class and to make such schemes entirely enforceable by law.

The pottery workers must follow the example of the Pilkington glass workers and the dockers in demanding basic wage increases for the work they are doing and must fight to relegate the PIB report—along with the PIB and the Tory policies—to the graveyard.

Period

For in this period (from 1929 to 1933) the Communist International, following the example of the Stalinist leadership in Russia, was pursuing an ultra-left, sectarian line of total opposition to limited united actions with reformist parties against the fascist menace.

Trotsky shows how this line arose from the crisis in the Soviet Union, and in particular from the right-wing, opportunist policies pursued in the previous five years since Lenin's death.

From 1924 to 1928, the Stalin faction in the Bolshevik Party leaned for support upon the richer peasants in the country and traders and bureaucrats in the towns.

This was also the period internationally of the 1926 alliance with the TUC during the British General Strike, with the British CP's slogan of 'all power to the General Council', and Stalin's bloc with Chiang Kai-shek in China.

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They involve a deep philosophical analysis and critique of Stalinist theory, which Trotsky shows to be idealist and metaphysical both during its right-wing and ultra-left phases.

Both have as their common theme the possibility of building socialism in a single country—an outright idealist revision of Marxist economics and internationalism.

So it is necessary to be on guard against all those publicists, reformists, and Stalinists, from the late Isaac Deutscher to Michael Foot and Monty Johnstone, who praise Trotsky's attacks on ultra-left Stalinism only to open the door for a justification of its openly right-wing policies at other times—particularly the present.

Trotsky never made a fetish of the united front.

It was a tactical means to a strategic goal—the revolutionary overthrow of capitalism and the

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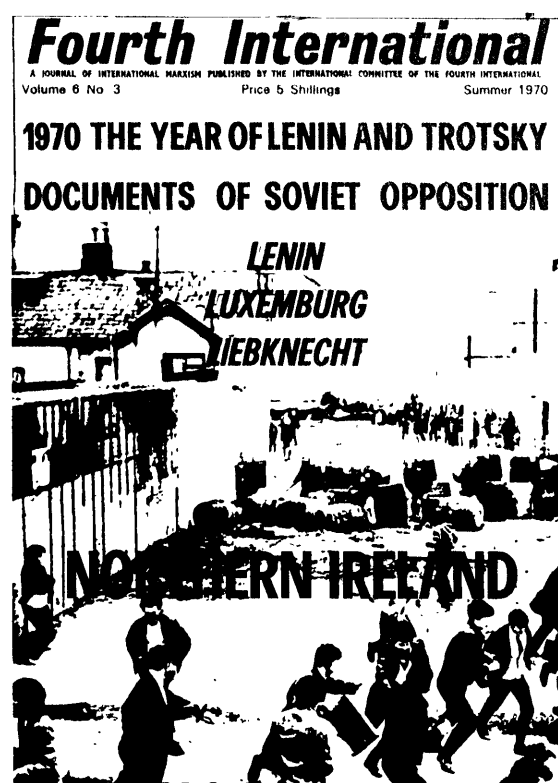
Through a telescope

LEO (Marcello Mastroianni) in dilapidated Notting Hill Gate.



SPICED WITH CLASS NOTIONS AND PINK POLITICS

IMPORTANT READING



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For director John Boorman, inventing his own clichés, has found the recipe for soufflé celluloid:

Take one dilapidated street near Notting Hill Gate and paint it black.

Put a rich white eccentric in the mansion at the end and stuff the remainder with poor tenants, mainly black.

Add one pub, a gaudy pimp-cum-rent-collector, two whores and a bonfire (never to be lit) in the middle. Decorate the end with the deranged rich and

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their hangers-on and stir well. Serves to fill an idle hour. Leo returns to inherit his mansion from the bosom of his family. He is, as befits a man in his position, 'alienated' (an inevitable result, in the modern cinema, of having private means and a university education).

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lens are transplanted into the social world.

Probably to titillate the critics, Boorman has spiced the scene with 'class' notions. So poor Leo (who would otherwise be having an unequivocally fine time) gets hung up on 'social justice', the spiritual predicament of the rich and the vitality of the poor.

He sends the hungry family (anonymously) a trolley-load of supermarket food—but at the height of the binge (in which Leo and his telescope participate) the father succumbs to a heart attack.

He tries to rescue the daughter of the family from whoredom, is abused for his pains, and ends up leading 'the masses' of his street (it transpires he was, unknowingly, the landlord) to rescue his house from his family, who, in the meantime, have had him certified.

But the pink politics of the film are so shallow they can almost be ignored.

(This is not to say that the critics were able to. Most of them never got away from the dilemma of the intellectual who sympathizes with the untutored and unwashed. But that's their problem.)

Despite the rotten framework, there are some fine bits of observation.

The funeral for the father, with a passionate evangelical sermon, is one of the liveliest scenes in the film.

And when Leo's would-be wife takes him to a communal relaxing session for the up-tight middle classes, naked and waist deep in a tepid swimming pool, splashing, touching, provoking each other, swaying and moaning to the directions of the psychiatrist on the catwalk, you see the other side of the coin.

Particularly expressive when the camera goes under water. And they're not so ignorant as you might think. 'Is it the national crisis?' she says to him, 'or the world crisis? Just relax and tell me'.

But all the scenes are just incidents.

The film winds its colourful way through them—the cinema of the irrelevant.

I thought for one horrid moment (when the projector failed for a few seconds) that I might have missed the whole point, the very keystone of the film. But an usherette gloomily reassured me on the way out.

And I see her point: it's not a film anyone should watch 20 times.

But a sort of talent it certainly has — magnified by the with-it colour and the telescopic lenswork. Like I said, it's a film about birds. Go see it if you like feathers — or droppings.

A DISAPPOINTING film is 'Serafino' by the Italian director Pietro Germi.

His earlier films, especially 'Il Posto' ('The Job'), were sensitive works, though made entirely from the standpoint of 'sympathy' with workers and their oppression.

In this latest one, made in colour and for CBS, he (literally) prostitutes his talent for catching dialect and gestures. It's the escapades of a wenching peasant lad, with slap-stick added. But it adds up to a vulgar caricature.

Only thing to be said in its favour is that its sharpest cracks are aimed at Mother Church.

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BBC 1

11.55 a.m. Cricket. England v Rest of the World. 1.33 p.m. Watch with mother. 1.45-1.53 News and weather. 1.55 Y'Steddfod. 2.30 Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales. 3.00-4.15 Cricket. 4.20 Play school. 4.40 Jackanory. 4.55 Animal magic. 5.20 Shazzan! 5.44 Abbott and Costello. 5.50 News and weather. 6.00 LONDON. NATIONWIDE. 6.45 Z CARS. 7.10 LAUGH PARADE: 'The Monte Carlo Story'. With Marlene Dietrich and Vittorio De Sica. Two poverty stricken gamblers fall in love. 8.50 NEWS and weather. 9.10 'SOLDIERS OF PITY'. Tuesday's documentary about the Salvation Army. 10.00 MONTY PYTHON'S FLYING CIRCUS. 10.30 24 HOURS. 11.05 VIEWPOINT. 11.25 Weather.

REGIONAL BBC

All regions as BBC 1 except: Midlands and E Anglia: 6.00-6.45 Your region tonight: Look East, weather, nationwide. 10.00-10.30 Contact. Farming club for E Anglia. 11.27 News, weather. North of England: 6.00-6.45 Your region tonight: Look North, weather, nationwide. 10.00-10.30 Great North Road Show. 11.27 News, weather. Wales: 2.30-3.30 Eisteddfod genedlaethol ffrinbol cymru rhyddym 1970. 11.27 News, weather. South and West: 6.00-6.45 Your region tonight: Points West. South today. Spotlight. South-West, weather. Nationwide. 11.27 News, weather.

BBC 2

11.00-11.20 a.m. PLAY SCHOOL. 4.30-5.30 p.m. CRICKET. England v Rest of the World. 7.30 NEWS and weather. 8.00 SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE'S SHERLOCK HOLMES. 'The Musgrave Ritual'. 8.50 LOOK, STRANGER. 'Another Tom Jones'. 9.10 PREMIER. 'Night Gallery'. With Joan Crawford. A blind woman consents to undergo an operation which will enable her to see for just a few hours. 10.45 NEWS and weather. 10.50 LINE-UP.

ITV

2.00-4.00 p.m. Racing from Wolverhampton. 4.17 The enchanted house. 4.30 Crossroads. 4.55 Bright's boffins. 5.20 Country boy. 5.50 News. 6.02. MOVIE! John Schlesinger. 6.30 THE GHOST AND MRS MUIR. 7.00 FILM: 'My Six Loves'. With Debbie Reynolds, David Janssen and Cliff Robertson. A musical comedy star decides to retire to the Connecticut countryside for a while. 8.30 NEVER SAY DIE. 'Please, Please don't eat the patient!' 9.00 FAMILY AT WAR. 'The end of the beginning'. 10.00 NEWS. 10.30 'THE TRIBE THAT HIDES FROM MAN'. Documentary about the Kreen-Akore tribe who live in the Amazon jungle. 11.45 WORLD OF CRIME. 'Prisons'. 12.15 a.m. PROTEST! Glen Gibson talks to Peter Buckman, author of 'The Limits of Protest'.

REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 2.00-4.00 London. 4.30 Puffin's birthday greetings. 4.40 Origi. 4.55 London. 6.00 News, weather. 6.10 Police file. 6.15 Look-around. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Movie: 'Sugarfoot'. With Randolph Scott and Raymond Massey. 8.30 London. 10.30 Hitchcock on Grierson. 11.10 Gazette. 11.15 Les francais chez vous. 11.30 Weather. WESTWARD. At Channel except: 4.25 News. 4.27 Gus Honeybun. 6.00 Diary. 11.15 Faith for life. 11.20 Weather. SOUTHERN: 2.00-3.30 London. 3.45 Coves week. 4.00 Houseparty. 4.15

HTV West colour channel 61 as above except: 4.23-4.25. 6.01-6.35 Scene West. HTV Wales colour channel 41 as above except: 2.25-3.30 Royal national Eisteddfod. 10.30 Interview. 11.00 Y dydd. 11.30 p.m. Midnight weather. HTV Cymru/Wales black and white service as above: 2.25-2.30 Royal National Eisteddfod. 6.01 Y dydd. 10.30 Pele. 11.00 Danger man. 11.55 Weather.

ANGLIA: 2.30 London. 4.30 Newsroom. 4.40 Enchanted house. 4.55 London. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 6.55 'Shoot Out At Medicine Head'. With Randolph Scott, James Craig, Angie Dickinson and James Garner. 8.25 London. 10.30 'Switch on the chickens, put the cows on the roundabout'. Factory farming. 11.30 Letters from the dead. 11.58 Holiday reflection.

ATV MIDLANDS: 2.00 London. 4.00 Women today. 4.10 Peyton Place. 4.40 Origi. 4.50 Catweazle. 5.15 London. 6.00 ATV today. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Western: 'Ride into Laramie'. With John Payne, Mari Blanchard and Dan Duray. 8.25 London. 11.45 Legends of the West, weather.

ULSTER: 2.00-3.55 London. 4.30 Romper room. 4.50 News. 4.55 London. 6.00 News. 6.05 Mona McCuskey. 6.35 Crossroads. 6.55 'Tarzan and the She Devil'. With Lex Barker and Joyce MacKenzie. 8.30 London. 11.20 Parkin's patch.

YORKSHIRE: 2.00 London. 3.55 Houseparty. 4.10 Tingha and Tucker. 4.25 Matinee. 4.55 London. 6.00 Calendar news. 6.05 Gunsmoke. 7.00 'Viva Las Vegas'. With Elvis Presley and Ann Margaret. A racing driver's one ambition is to be world champion. 8.30 London. 11.45 All our yesterdays. 12.15 Weather.

GRANADA: 2.00 London. 4.10 News. 4.11 Short story. 4.40 Origi. 4.55 London. 6.00 Newsview. 6.10 All our yesterdays. 6.40 Comedy time. 7.00 Movie: 'California Conquest'. With Cornel Wilde and Teresa Wright. Western about Spanish Californians under Mexican rule. 8.25 London. 11.15 Four just men.

TYNE TEES: 2.00-3.55 London. 4.10 Newsroom. 4.15 My three sons. 4.40 Enchanted house. 4.55 London. 6.00 Today at six. 6.25 Where the jobs are. 6.30 Joe. 7.00 Film: 'Yellowstone Kelly'. With Clint Walker and Edward Byrne. 8.30 London. 10.30 See through fashion. 11.25 News. 11.40 Brief encounters.

BORDER: 1.00-3.55 London. 4.10 News. 4.12 Telephone game. 4.40 Origi. 4.55 London. 6.00 News. Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 'The Gentle Gunman'. With John Mills, Dirk Bogarde, Robert Beatty and Elizabeth Sellars. It is 1941 and an IRA member supposed to leave a bomb in an underground station, panics. 8.30 London. 11.45 News, weather.

SCOTTISH: 2.00-4.00 London. 4.15 London. 6.00 Summer scene. 6.30 Telephone game. 7.00 Movie: 'The Pigeon'. With Sammy Davis, Jr., Dorothy Malone, Pat Boone and Ricardo Montalban. 8.25 London. 10.30 Hitchcock on Grierson. 11.20 Late call.

GRAMPIAN: 2.00-4.00 London. 4.25 Survival. 4.55 London. 6.00 News, farming news, weather. 6.15 Vintage comics. 6.35 Crossroads. 6.55 Movie: 'A Matter of Who'. 8.25 Bothy nights. 9.00 London. 10.30 Hitchcock on Grierson. 11.20 A Kind of living.

No servicing at Sheffield steel plant

TWO HUNDRED maintenance men at the Sheffield steel firm of Arthur Lee & Sons Ltd are striking until August 15, the end of the firm's annual fortnight's holiday.

Shop stewards said production men would return to find equipment normally serviced during the two weeks summer break not done because of a bonus dispute.

The firm sent each man a note in his pay packet saying work would be available during the summer break. Any maintenance man who does not turn up would be considered absent without leave.

The dispute hinges on a productivity deal signed in February. The four unions involved agreed to accept a £4 10s a week flexibility bonus for the maintenance engineers.

But the agreement excluded the holiday period which the management claim is not relevant to the general working conditions.

The men claim this was not made clear and they are refusing to work until they are paid the £4 10s productivity bonus.

'Star'

FROM PAGE ONE
The 'Star', and the Kremlin's, 'decisive and most powerful forces'.

Protected on his left flank by the Soviet bureaucracy, Nasser lashed out at the Iraqi government yesterday for its refusal to accept the US plan, while Libyan leader Colonel Gaddafi began a tour of the Arab world to win its leaders for the Nasser-Rogers deal.

BOYCOTT

The governments of Algeria and Iraq have already announced they will boycott today's Arab summit conference, called to discuss the next moves in implementing the US proposals.

In fact, these moves have already begun.

United Nations Middle-East peace envoy Gunnar Jarring yesterday began talks in New

MOSCOW CLAIMS DOCK STRIKE A 'VICTORY'

PURSuing ITS strike-breaking line to the very end, Moscow Radio has described the terms of the dockers' return to work as a victory.

Broadcasting to Britain in English, Moscow Radio's London correspondent said:

'When one compares the pay claims of the dockers with the increases they secured, it becomes clear that the strike was a success.'

The report makes no mention of the fact that the Pearson Report (praised by Moscow Radio for its recognition of the dockers' claims) was accepted immediately by the port employers.

In fact this broadcast maintains the fiction that Pearson granted important concessions:

'The government had to refrain from ordering the army into the docks and hastily

York with key diplomats.

These preliminary contacts will, it is hoped, clear the way for indirect negotiations between Israel and Egypt. The Liberation groups, however, correctly insist that the future of Palestine is not negotiable.

Palestine's future and the outcome of the Arab people's struggle for national unity against Zionism and imperialism will not be decided in the lounges and salons of the UN or the embassies of the 'big four'.

It will be determined by the joint struggle of the Israeli and Arab workers for a socialist Middle East which will guarantee the national rights of all minorities.

DENOUNCE

We call upon all socialists, and particularly CP members, to denounce this plan to protect the Zionist annexations and the imperialist interests standing behind Mrs Meir and Dayan.

The fight of the Arabs for national liberation and socialism is also our fight.

TUC agenda—no challenge to Tories

BY ROBERT BLACK

set up a committee of inquiry which accepted some of the most important claims of the strikers.

Desperate to provide a cover for transport chief Jack Jones and his Stalinist apologists, the report valiantly tried to present a picture of a Tory government and ruling class licking its wounds, after a stinging defeat:

Chess

'To use the terminology of chess, one can say that the bosses and Ministers began the game as a decisive one, but then started changing their moves.'

'Soon they realized that they had no more resources for attack against the effective and ever-mounting counter-offensive of the dockers.'

'So, to avoid disaster, they resigned in the hope of getting their revenge in future battles as soon as the opportunity arises.'

'The events of the next few weeks and months will alone reveal all the implications of this grave defeat for the monopoly concerns.' (Our emphasis.)

The Soviet bureaucracy is running as true to form in Britain's ports as it is in the Middle East.

Even more blatantly than the British Communist Party leaders, it peddles the lie that the Tories can be tamed and defeated by pressure.

The analogy with chess is no accident.

For the Kremlin, the working class are so many pawns to be manipulated and sacrificed in the 'game' of big power diplomacy with the imperialist states.

Significantly, while Moscow Radio has given extensive coverage to the dock strike on both its home and overseas service, there has been a near total black-out on the recent struggles in Spain, which culminated in the killing of three Granada building workers by Franco's fascist police.

The reason is not hard to guess—Franco and Kossygin are currently negotiating the opening of diplomatic relations between their two regimes.

Diverted

This is its strategy in the Middle East, where the Arab struggle against Zionism has been diverted, through Nasser's leadership, towards a deal with Nixon which leaves the Zionist state of Israel intact.

The British Stalinists oppose the call to force out the Tories as some sort of counter-Kremlin diplomacy, which is attempting to build up the Tories as some sort of counter weight to US imperialism.

It was for this reason that Moscow Radio hailed Heath's victory in a broadcast to Britain on June 19.

Stalinism, despite its deep internal problems and open rifts, is fighting for its life and cannot be underestimated for one moment.

From Merseyside and Southampton to the Middle East and Vietnam, its defeat is essential if the working class and colonial peoples are to go forward to victory over imperialism.

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Hastings Banda supports Tory-Vorster arms deal

AS EXPECTED, Malawi President Hastings Banda has come out in full favour of Tory arms sales to the white supremacist S African regime.

In a speech to the Malawi parliament, gleefully reported by Johannesburg Radio, Banda stated: 'It was nonsense to suggest that S Africa would use British submarines and aircraft for internal sup-

pression or external aggression. S Africa did not want to add one inch of territory to her borders, and she had all the arms she needed for so-called internal suppression.'

Banda added that the sale of Tory arms to Vorster 'would be preferable to seeing a certain foreign

power making use of the Indian Ocean as a swimming pool.'

Banda, who outshines even the former Belgian stooge Tshombe as an 'Uncle Tom' servant of imperialism, prefers the strictly segregated swimming pools of the Vorster regime.

Lancaster tenants must join unions' anti-Tory fight

LANCASTER council tenants are now discussing further ways of fighting the Tory council's plans to go ahead with substantial rent increases.

Following clashes with the police at last week's council meeting when a decision to implement the increases was taken, tenants' determination has hardened after Friday's meeting between a deputation of tenants' representatives and the Housing Committee.

Extra police had been brought in to prevent entry into the town hall and clashes took place as tenants demanding use of the public gallery, surged forward.

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None of the Tory councillors live on council estates and none are workers. Of the 26 on the council, 15 are businessmen and the rest are shopkeepers and middle-class housewives.

The Labour Party came out in support of the tenants after some hesitation.

Previously their position had been to oppose outright increases and to demand that they are introduced in three stages.

Crucial point

The tenants' movement is now at a crucial point.

The campaign must be turned into the trade union movement to force the Tory council and the government to resign.

There can be no solution without the nationalization of the banks and land to provide interest-free loans for housing.

A glimpse of mankind's fate under imperialism

RICHARD HAMMER is a journalist working for the 'New York Times'.

But in his short, simply written yet intensely moving book, he used his talents to uncover and indict the massacre carried out by US forces in the S Vietnamese village of Son My on March 16, 1968.

Millions of people throughout the world were horrified by the story which gradually leaked out from the company responsible for the wanton killing of more than 500 Vietnamese women, old men, children and even babies.

But the newspaper accounts of the 'Pinkville massacre' were sadly only a pale reflection of what really took place in the village of Son My when it was surrounded by 'Charley' company under the leadership of Captain Medina.

DESTRUCTION 'Guerrilla dominated'

Son My was marked down on the US military's map for total destruction. Shaded in pink (hence 'Pinkville') to denote its supposed domination by guerrillas, the murder of its every inhabitant was planned and approved by the top US brass as just another routine slaughter of 'gooks'.

After sketching out the history of the Vietnam war (in which the author concedes that the NLF brought honest government to the Vietnamese peasant for the first time in his lifetime), Hammer reconstructs the massacre in Pinkville from evidence carefully collected amongst soldiers involved in the raid.

The picture which he builds up is unspeakably horrifying.

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'When all people—men, women and children—are considered the enemy, where no village is considered safe, where destruction has become the accepted mode, where the value of human life has receded to nothing, then Son My is inevitable, and more Son My's will occur.'

NAZI-TYPE 'Couldn't do it'

'They had them in a group, standing over a ditch—just like a Nazi-type thing. One officer ordered a kid to machine gun everybody down. But the kid couldn't do it. He threw the machine gun down and the officer picked it up. I don't remember seeing any men in the ditch. Mostly women and kids.'

Hammer nowhere in his book reveals any sympathy for socialism.

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Huge jobs
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dancies will hit the North East particularly hard, it is already known that the labour force throughout BSC is to be reduced by 48,000 over the next three years.

WEATHER
London, central southern and SW England, E and W Midlands, Channel Islands: Fog or mist patches early. Sunny spells and scattered thunderstorms. Wind SW, light. Very warm. Max. 25C (77F).
SE England: Fog patches, clearing quickly but rather persistent on coast. Sunny spells and scattered thunderstorms. Wind SE, light. Very warm. Max. 25C (77F). Cooler on coasts.
NW and central northern England: Fog patches early, then sunny spells and scattered thunderstorms later. Wind SE, light. Very warm. Max. 23C (73F).

WEATHER
Edinburgh: Extensive mist or fog, clearing inland but persisting in many coastal areas. Mainly dry, with sunny spells away from coasts. Wind SE, light. Warm. Max. 20C (68F). Cooler on coasts.
Glasgow, N Ireland: Mainly dry with strikers after clearance of early mist patches. Wind SE, light. Warm. Max. 20C (68F).
Outlook for Wednesday and Thursday: Rather unsettled with scattered thundery showers but some sunshine. Temperatures mostly above normal.

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make its workers pay for this crisis, as Nicholas Faith's 'Sunday Times' article pointed out two days ago, include:
● Ending piecemeal and replacing it with Measured-Day Work;
● Raising production at Austin-Morris's Oxford plant by 40 per cent without extra labour; and
● Complete rationalization of the Austin-Morris and specialist car divisions—Jaguar, Rover and Triumph—along Ford-style lines.

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RACES HIT
A DISPUTE between the National Association of Theatrical and Kine Employees and the ATV Network will probably black out transmissions from Wolverhampton racecourse today.

Ship-shore radio men strike
OPERATORS at the Post Office's ship-to-shore radio stations in SW England struck for 24 hours yesterday against the management's delay in dealing with their pay claim.

Contract ends
ELECTRICIANS employed at Ford's Dagenham plant until last Friday by Caines electrical contractors were yesterday working for various other contractors at the Dagenham plant.

ROAD AHEAD

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from set-backs when he advised:
'Mr Robert Carr, the Secretary for Employment, should have said he rejected this report with contumely. But now that there has been this clear indication that strikes and threats of strikes pay dividends under the Conservative administration, there will be a lot more official trouble in the docks and elsewhere than there would have been if this strike had been determinedly fought, and there will also be a lot more inflation across the nation.'

This is the outlook of the more short-sighted section of the Tories who are prepared to permanently alienate their best friends in the labour movement and even jeopardize their prospects of getting the anti-union laws through in the autumn.

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Big stick

So they threatened Jones with the big stick of state intervention with one hand while they dangled the carrot of the Pearson inquiry in the other.

As they expected Jones and the Stalinists grabbed the carrot with both hands rather than face the unpleasant prospect of a protracted and decisive struggle which would have been a political battle of the first magnitude.

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This, however, is a transitory phenomenon which is now being steadily dissipated by the attacks of the Tory government and the gradual retreats of the trade union leaders.

Those Marxists in the trade unions who have found themselves isolated in the past now find themselves surrounded by workers are listening to them, even though they might do so with some scepticism.

Crumble

The old forms which confined the working class to purely economic ends are beginning to crumble under the combined blows of international and national events, bringing forth a new content.

The essence of this development is revealed in the interviews with those dockers who are not only outraged by Jones' retreat but, more important, are deeply critical of the Stalinist role in consciously holding back the dockers and defending the bureaucracy's rear in the retreat on Dagenham.

This is, by far, the most promising political development which presages even more sensational changes in the trade unions in the coming period.

If, in the past, working-class politics have been subordinate to the preservation of the unions, today it is becoming increasingly evident that the trade unions must become subordinate to the historical, political interests of the working class.

Nobody articulated this more precisely and cogently than Trotsky:

The decomposition of British capitalism inevitably leads to the impotence of the trade unions. Only a revolution can save the British working class and its organizations together with it.

In order to take power, the proletariat must necessarily have at their head a revolutionary party. In order to make the trade unions fit for their future role, they must be freed of conservative officials, of superstitious blockheads, who from heaven knows where, expect a 'peaceful' miracle, and finally they must be freed directly from the agents of large capital, renegades in the style of Thomas ('Where is Britain Going', p. 112).

To take Trotsky's words seriously means to build the Socialist Labour League and the All Trades Unions Alliance on the docks and every other industry; to widen the circulation of the Workers Press; and to decisively defeat the counter-revolutionary influence of Stalinism in the trade unions.

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ELECTRICIANS employed at Ford's Dagenham plant until last Friday by Caines electrical contractors were yesterday working for various other contractors at the Dagenham plant.

Ford's management terminated their contract with Caines last Saturday.

This decision arose from a dispute over the alleged incident involving a shop steward last Thursday.

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LATE NEWS

BURMAH STRIKERS REJECT OFFER
Strikers from Ellesmere Port's Burmah Oil refinery construction site—46 of whose pickets still face police charges following recent arrests—yesterday completely rejected an offer of 15s per week from their employers and voted to continue their strike.
Explaining that the men are asking for a 15s 'no strings' rise, picket Bill Reynolds—one of those arrested—told Workers Press that the new offer 'just the same as they offered us before we went on strike'.
However a series of strings attached to the previous offer have now disappeared.
Picketing is now to be resumed at the site and on August 28, when the court hearing adjourned last Friday is to be resumed, the Burmah

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