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# LABOUR'S DEATH SENTENCE ON HUNGER STRIKERS

THE UNJUSTIFIED refusal of Labour Home Secretary Roy Jenkins to send Irish political prisoners home to serve their sentences has claimed its first victim. Twenty-four-year-old Michael Gaughan died last Monday night in Parkhurst prison after allegedly contracting pneumonia while on hunger strike.

He stopped eating on March 31 in support of the Price sisters and other Irish prisoners in England on hunger strike demanding political status and transfer to Northern Ireland to serve their sentences.

Gaughan's family is calling for an inquest into his death since it believes he died as a result of liquid from a force-feeding tube entering one of his lungs.

Another Parkhurst prisoner, Francis Stagg, jailed for 10 years after being tried on IRA conspiracy charges in Coventry this year is near death.

He also went on hunger strike in support of the demands of Dolours and Marion Price, Gerard Kelly and Hugh Feeney. The Price sisters, who have not voluntarily touched food for over 200 days, are very weak and their deaths are feared.

The deaths of these young people—if they die of starvation or as a result of force-feeding as is claimed in Gaughan's case—will be the direct responsibility of Labour Home Secretary Roy Jenkins and the entire Labour Cabinet.

Jenkins, who says he will bend to no 'intimidation' from hunger strikers, has, however capitulated to widespread 'intimidation' throughout the North of Ireland from the loyalists backed up by the British army.

He has no grounds whatsoever for refusing the request of these prisoners to be transferred to Northern Ireland to serve their sentences. His talk about 'security' is a shoddy cover for his complete subservience to the demands of British imperialism in Ireland.

The Young Socialists make it clear that we place no faith whatsoever in either individual terror or hunger strikes as a means of fighting

British imperialism in Ireland, or anywhere else for that matter.

But we support entirely the right of Irish workers and young people to fight back against the presence of British troops in whatever way they choose.

We stand for the building of a Marxist revolutionary leadership in Ireland, a section of the Fourth International to mobilize Catholic and Protestant workers against the common enemy—the Green and Orange Tories north and south of the border—in a fight for socialist policies.

And we demand—not only the transfer of these youth—but their release as political prisoners along with all those interned in Long Kesh, Armagh, Magilligan etc.

We demand the immediate withdrawal of troops from the Six Counties.

The lives of the hunger strikers—and all other political prisoners—depends not on moral cries to the government, the Church or anyone else but the mobilization of the working class to fight against Jenkins' decision.



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MICHAEL GAUGHAN



THE FIRST VICTIM



GERARD KELLY



FRANCIS STAGG & WIFE



HUGH FEENEY

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# KEEP LEFT SAYS

## Ulster and the economic crisis

**THE demand is growing for the withdrawal of the army from Northern Ireland. Support is coming from the most unexpected sources, including Tories and extreme right-wingers.**

In the Lords, the Tory Earl of Onslow (son of Lady Pamela of Littlejohn fame) said of withdrawing the troops: 'Is it not worse to have the constant drip, drip, drip of English and Irish blood on the streets than to have a short, sharp civil war?'

Onslow is at least clear on what he wants!

Such statements reflect the growing difficulties of maintaining the British imperialist toe-hold in Ireland and more and more weariness with the effort.

Wilson said in the Commons last Tuesday the vast expense of the loyalist strike, £225m, made it inconceivable that people will accept without question a further bill, be it £100m or £200m, to meet the cost of these deliberately politically inspired self-inflicted wounds.

Liberal leader Jeremy Thorpe also reflected the growing right-wing sympathy for withdrawing troops:

'There is a limit to the amount of money and troops which the electorate of this country are prepared to pour in,' he said.

And former Tory Minister for Ulster, Reginald Maudling, said last Monday: 'We should say we want to withdraw.'

But the great obstacle to pulling troops out is the attitude of the army high command. Throughout the strike of the Ulster Workers' Council they stood in almost open revolt against labour's orders to move in and take barricades down and take over power stations.

The breakdown of Tory imperialist policy in Ireland arising out of the economic crisis, now places great strains on the unity between different sections of the ruling class. The landed

aristocracy and the military wings are prepared to go all the way to open mutiny and the threat of military coup to preserve their interests, as they did in the Curragh mutiny in 1914.

What is reflected in the split in the ruling class over Ulster is the great concern about the economic crisis which every responsible employer nationally and internationally is warning about.

This week it was revealed that half of Britain's 250 biggest companies intend to cut back their investment, compared with their plans of six months ago. In other words, they have sharply revised their plans since the miners' strike, the Tory-imposed three day week and the oil crisis.

According to the Department of Trade and Industry reports, provisional figures suggest there will hardly be any increase in investment, and by the end of 1975 it is expected that the annual rate of capital investment will be little or no higher than it was five years ago.

This means the growing threat of deflation bringing with it closures, redundancies and unemployment.

Under conditions of continuing rapid inflation such as we have seen over the past two years, the real value of capital investment is sharply declining.

The sharpening of the class struggle in Britain itself means that more sections of the ruling class are drawn behind the suggestions and preparations of the military against the working class.

Against the threat of military conspiracy and mutiny the working class must demand that the Labour government carry out socialist policies in Ireland. An emergency conference of the Labour Party must be called for to instruct Wilson to withdraw the army immediately and disband it.

**HOW MANY more potential Flixboroughs exist in Britain today? That is the question workers and their wives are asking all over the country as the full horror of the Flixborough holocaust which killed 29 people and injured 105 more becomes apparent.**

Canvey Island housewives were shocked to find reports in the newspapers that they are living next to 1,200 tons of the highly inflammable cyclohexane which is blamed for the horrific explosion which last Saturday laid waste the Lincolnshire village of Flixborough. They had no idea such a lethal chemical was being stored in their midst.

### ASKS SARAH HANNIGAN

The position is rendered even more potentially dangerous by the fact that the chemical is stored near two methane (the coal gas responsible for many mine explosions) tanks, and on the site of a proposed refinery.

And London fire chiefs have admitted they have earmarked a number of places as potential high risk zones. These include oil company refinery sites and bitumen plants along the Thames at Coryton, Shellhaven and Stanford-le-Hope. In addition there are petro-chemical storage depots at a number of

riverside points in Dagenham, East and West Ham.

The Flixborough explosion brings to mind the Aberfan disaster in 1966 which killed 140 people—many of them young children.

Again the National Coal Board is involved along with Dutch State Mines who respectively own 45 and 55 per cent of the NYPRO (UK) Ltd. works where the devastation occurred.

Again we see the effects of the same merciless drive for profit at the expense of workers' lives and the suffering of their families.

And again there were warnings that were ignored—made after a similar explosion at ICI Wilton, Teeside, four years ago—in

which one man was killed and several others injured. Investigation of the Wilton explosion showed that supposedly safe systems in the plant, designed to prevent ignition if explosive vapour escaped, were not safe at all.

The question facing workers at Flixborough, Canvey Island and all other parts of the country where such dangerous chemicals are stored in bulk is—how can we ensure that these are safely contained?

Under capitalism the drive for profit far outweighs any safety considerations. Only when industry is nationalized under workers' control and without compensation can the danger of sudden death and horrible injury be minimized.

# Imperial strikers lobby T&GWU



**NEARLY 200 strikers from Imperial Typewriters factory in Leicester demonstrated outside the Transport and General Workers Union headquarters in London last week demanding that their five-week strike be made official. (Demonstration shown on left.)**

The workers, mainly young, are on strike against low wages, speed up and victimization and for the right to elect shop stewards.

### INTIMIDATION

Their battle has involved arrests on the picket line and alleged police intimidation.

But local union officials have done nothing to help them and told them to go back to work—but 800 workers have stayed out on unofficial strike.

The T&GWU executive council is meeting on Monday, and strikers said that national organizer Moss Evans stated that a decision on the dispute would be made there.

## NURSES ON STRIKE NURSES ON STRIKE NURSES



# What the nurses say:

**VERONICA and Helen have just begun their careers as student nurses in a big London Hospital. They are now members of the Young Socialists, and gave their view of the nurses' struggle to Keep Left:**

Our pay just covers the bare essentials. You can't even get a bus anywhere, we have hardly any money for food, cigarettes or entertainment. Our pay works out at about £12 or £13 a week, although we have only £2 a month rent

clothes — at the most £12 or £13 a month.

The conditions in the nursing home are bad — we haven't had a change of sheets for nearly two weeks.

Nurses work hard, long hours — we are always exhausted after a day's work, and at the moment we haven't started doing the night shift. There are usually only two or three nurses in the ward at a time at our hospital. All the beds have to be made, and the patients have to be washed, and many other jobs.

People have always accepted that nurses get a low wage, and nurses have never fought for more. But now this is changing.

The reason that nurses are taking action is that

everything's going up except wages. Inflation is speeding up. Every time the government has a budget or makes an announcement, prices go up. Bread, milk and all the basic things.

A government should be responsible for stopping inflation. But they are helping the people who own the businesses — it's not us who's benefiting.

### Money

No matter who it is, if they need more money they must be given it. So if they are holding an inquiry into nurses' pay, they should inquire into everybody's pay: they'd have to have a national inquiry.

They certainly haven't shown any signs of paying up so far.

As the saying goes, united we stand, divided we fall. Even the nurses have to act as a body of their own, or their action won't be effective. The miners got more money after striking, but they didn't get rid of the state pay laws.

The reason we joined the Young Socialists is because people everywhere are universally entitled to live and have their basic needs. We have the resources, we have the intelligence, it's possible for this to work.

Families are broken up because people haven't got the money, husbands and wives leave each other, people can't afford to buy houses, everything, because they haven't got the money.

Everything's got to be for the working class.

# CHARING X HOSPITAL MARCH

**NURSES at Charing Cross Hospital, Fulham, were supported by over 200 ancillary workers, technicians, domestics and maintenance staff when they demonstrated for higher wages last week.**

Their march was part of the national campaign for nurses' pay.

'Why should we continue to subsidise the health service by taking second jobs and working during our holidays?' asked a leaflet.

'I'm a porter,' NUPE member Bruce Morris told Keep Left. 'I am out here because we should get more money. We've been mugs for too long. Our wages are a pittance

for the service provided,' he said.

Cecilia, an ancillary worker, takes home what she calls 'hopeless money'. She said: 'It's OK at the beginning of the month, but at the end we're eating cheese and biscuits.'

Technician Marian Davenport said: 'I think we'll only get anywhere by striking. I'm left with £2 a week for smoking, clothes and enjoyment. We don't get enough money—that's all I've got to say.'

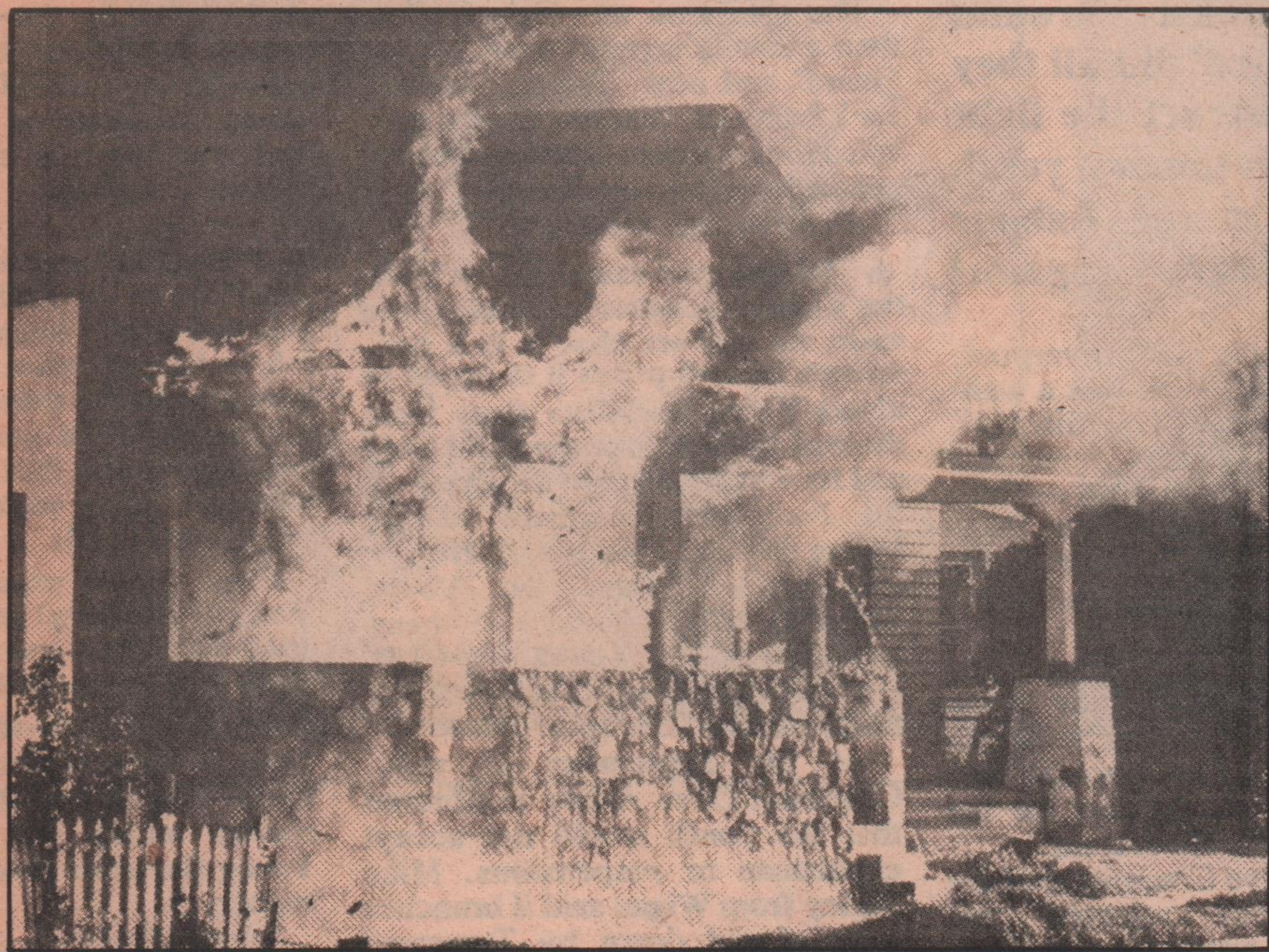
Nurse Susan Elliott said: 'We're out here to get more money for nurses in the National Health hospitals. We don't want an 8 per cent rise, we want 55 per cent.'

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The war against the SLA

# 'Like the My Lai massacre—in the United States'



Above: Police marksmen zero in on the house. Left: The holocaust on 54th Street, Los Angeles.

A section of the huge marches by Italian workers against the fascist bombings.

## Italian workers strike against fascists

**BATTLES erupted in the streets of Rome, Milan and Naples last week when thousands of outraged workers marched against the Italian fascists.**

Workers and youth took to the streets after a bomb attack in Brescia which killed six people and injured 94. Dr Walter Moretti, a leading member of the fascist 'New Order', movement and an unnamed man, have been arrested in connection with the explosion.

Angry workers who besieged the headquarters of the fascist party the MSI were fired on by armed police. In Naples, fascists and police lined up together against the demonstrators and 17 young people were arrested.

Days after the bombing, members of the 'Mussolini Action Squad' had a gun battle with the police in which a man was killed and two police seriously injured. They were training para-military action squads in the mountains near Rieti.

Countless plans for a violent return to fascism have been made by the rightists in Italy and uncovered by the crisis-ridden centre-left coalition which now rules Italy, headed by Mariano Rumor.

Many of these plots involve high-up army officials. About 300 fascist leaders, all from affluent families, openly call for military rule.

Communist Party headquarters, trade union buildings and trade union demonstrations have been the targets of a massive wave of bombings in the last year.

And while Italy hangs on the edge of a military coup, the government has decided to set up a completely ineffectual 'Anti-terrorist Department', responsible to Chief of Police Zanda Loy, to oppose the fascists.

The Communist Party-dominated unions in Italy called a four-hour general strike against the Brescia bombings. Continuous strikes lasting one, four or 24 hours have been called, serving only to dissipate the huge anger and determination of Italian workers which could be seen in last week's demonstrations.

The Communist Party has done nothing to mobilize workers against the fascists. CP general secretary Enrico Berlinguer says that the solution to Italy's crisis is 'the progressive modification of the relations between the forces'.

But sections of the ruling class are driven to support fascism by the desperate economic crisis which has toppled 35 Italian governments since the war, forced Italy to float the lira and then break the Common Market 'Joint Float' against the dollar.

There is only one answer to the full-scale war being waged by the Italian fascist movement on militants, communists and trade unionists. That is the mobilization of the entire Italian working class to defeat the system which breeds fascism—capitalism.

The betrayal of the working class by the Italian Communist Party can only lead to the return of fascism in Italy and defeat for the working class. The dangers in Italy have been created world-wide ecor. They must be workers all ov

**CROWDS of people come to East 54th Street to see the remains of the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) headquarters in Los Angeles which was destroyed along with its six occupants and two innocent neighbouring houses in a two-hour hail of gunfire from over 500 police.**

The area is still under armed guard and swarms of police cars patrol the surrounding district three weeks after the massacre.

The SLA have been accused of kidnapping Pattie Hearst daughter of a millionaire newspaper publisher and of robbing numerous banks in 'Robin Hood' style raids. They justify their individual acts in pseudo-Marxist terminology.

The US West Coast police have seized on these acts as an excuse to raid and harass working class areas, and have even placed the entire Fillmore district of San Francisco under martial law following a search for an unidentifiable 'Zebra killer' of white people.

But never before in the history of Los Angeles had such a massive force of police been mobilized together with the most advanced weaponry against the six occupants of the house.

However, the careful planning, implementation and publicizing of the event reveals that its purpose extended far beyond the elimination of a cell of the SLA.

In the morning of the shootout the news media was

alerted and a special news team got together and allowed to circulate freely during the battle. This is in sharp contrast to the raids on the Black Panthers, Kent State University and Chicago where the police made every effort to keep newsmen away.

People watching television between 5.30 and 7.30 p.m. — the peak viewing time — had their programmes interrupted by live coverage of the shoot-out which appeared on every channel.

At 5.30 p.m. several warnings were given to the occupants to emerge unarmed; when these were ignored the police opened fire with tear gas and bullets. No attempt was made by the police to evacuate neighbours. Women and children crouched in the bushes and their houses for more than an hour.

The house soon caught fire and spread to the near-by houses, but it took over 20 minutes for the firemen to arrive and then to get at the fire, they had to push past the police who were obstructing them. By that time, all three houses were burning out of control.

A journalist who lives opposite the house described the scene:

'The police put a tremendous amount, about 2,500 to 5,000 rounds of ammunition, using M-16s, automatic and semi-automatic weapons all into one stucco house, into one house! This was continuous.

'They wouldn't even fire that much in a combat zone.

They let it burn deliberately. I overheard some cops say: "Make sure they're dead".'

The following incident confirms suspicion that a police informer was in the SLA, and helped set them up for the attack.

A resident who lives across the street said that on the night of the attack after the warnings had been given, a young black male came out of the house with his hands up.

The police led him away.

The Press never reported this incident, which is in contrast to the treatment received by a woman who emerged from the house 45 minutes after the shooting began and was roughly man-handled.

Many youth in the area felt that the real reason for the shoot-out was to intimidate them with an enormous show of force. As one Vietnam veteran said: 'It was like watching the My-Lai massacre — except in the United States.'

## Unite all workers!

**'KEEP LEFT interviews a spokesman from the General Union of Palestinian Students on the developments in the Arab and Israeli states leading up to the signing of the disengagement agreement two weeks ago.**

**KL: What did you think of the attack on Ma'alot, where the capitalist Press spoke about 200 junior school children being killed by a Palestinian Liberation movement?**

GUPS: The youth who were killed were members of the Zionist 'Gednah' organization which trains them in military arts. They are subject to instant call-up if they are needed, and their Command is within the Israeli Defence Forces. They were in Ma'alot on a trip to learn about the strategic geography of the region.

We disagree with the killing of civilians but especially the horrific bombing of the refugee camps by the Zionists in which children, babies and women were killed. The fact that the Zionists did not want

a peaceful settlement to the hostage taking at Ma'alot, and therefore do not care about their own children, is shown by the mythical codeword which the French Ambassador is supposed to have received.

**KL: What do you think of the agreement signed by Syria to disengage their army?**

GUPS: This disengagement only puts obstacles in the face of the Palestinian revolution. It proves the October war was launched only to implement UN resolution 242 to recognize Israel. This reactionary resolution was insisted on by the Stalinists in Russia.

It is significant that Syria announced its disengagement intention three days after the visit of the Soviet foreign minister, Gromyko, to Syria.

**KL: The agreement to disengage forces took place only one day before the Palestine National Conference of the liberation movements and labour leaders. What leadership will now be shown by the liberation movements in the light of these new developments?**

GUPS: The leadership of the guerrilla organizations has to be revolutionized. A split has taken place: some are thinking that the revolution should be constrained within the national boundaries of countries, others have been saying that pure military action against Israel will bring liberation.

The forget the role played by the reactionary rulers of the Arab states.

Only if we reach out and explain the realities of today to the Arab and Israeli workers and peasants can we unite them against their reactionary rulers to form a socialist state.

This would solve the conflict in the Middle East and remove the present nationalistic divisions.

## Portuguese Stalinists publicly denounce strikers

**THE ROLE of the Communist Party in the widespread strikes which have hit Portugal in recent weeks after the downfall of the fascist regime has exposed once again the treacherous counter-revolutionary nature of Stalinism.**

Time after time, the Communist Party have called for workers to call off their strikes, occupations and to settle their demands for better pay, conditions and hours within the £55 a month minimum offered by the government of General Antonio do Spinoia.

Workers, on the other hand, are demanding an average of £130 a month, nearly double of what they earn now.

The role of the Communist Party has not gone unnoticed by the forces of the right wing. One commentator quoted in the Tory 'Daily Telegraph'

last Friday said the Communists 'appear like Conservative Tories', when compared with the less-disciplined parties that have emerged in Portugal in the past few weeks.

The Portuguese CP weekly paper 'Avanti' as well as publicly denouncing the strikes says that those who take part in strikes are engaging in 'reactionary manoeuvres to promote industrial unrest'.

They have blamed 'adventurers' who 'claim to be left-wing', but who only wish for chaos and the destruction of democracy (!)

The role of the Stalinists in Portugal is now one where having taken positions in the Spinoia government, they are prepared to go all the way with these right-wing forces against the legitimate demands of workers who have suffered at the hands of a fascist state for 48 years.

From the biggest industrial centres—like

the Lisbon Lisnave shipyard to scores of small firms throughout the country, Portuguese workers have walked out or occupied premises in support of their demands for more pay, better conditions and shorter hours.

Even sections of the junta are agreed, that these strikes are the spontaneous reaction of a people deprived for half a century of the right to strike. But not the Communist Party.

This today is the role of Stalinism the world over—to hold back the forces of the working class, to chain them to so-called 'democratic procedures' while behind the scenes the forces of reaction build up unmolested.

The events in Portugal are a calculated attempt to disarm the working class as to the nature of the fascist enemy which still exists within the junta, a repetition almost exactly of what the Stalinists did in Chile on September 11 1973.



# YOUNG SOCIALISTS DRIVE FOR INDEPENDENT OF TRANSPORT

## Role of the 'lefts' in the fight against Labour right-wing

by Jack Gale

Part Four

**THE LABOUR Party's National Agent—Reg Underhill—fought desperately and unsuccessfully at the northern conference of the Labour Party on May 18 to defeat a call for an inquiry into corruption in the Labour movement in the area.**

Despite Underhill's appeals, the Party delegates insisted on calling for an inquiry by 306,000 votes to 166,000.

Rank and file party members and trade unionists—as well as a growing number of MPs and trade union leaders reflecting this pressure—want an inquiry into what has been going on in the area.

They want to know how many other prominent figures in the Labour movement had connections with architect John Poulson and T. Dan Smith, now in jail for corruption.

Underhill's attempts to write the whole business off as 'ill-informed and mischievous' came to naught.

Mr Underhill has not always been so eager to avoid inquiries. As this series of articles shows, when he was assistant National Agent, he was extremely enthusiastic to 'inquire' into the activities of those who were fighting for socialism.

They were used, in 1959 the year when the Socialist Labour League (forerunner of the Workers Revolutionary Party) was proscribed, and even earlier in 1954 when Trotskyists were expelled from the Labour Party in Islington (where Ted Grant leader of the 'Militant' group voted for their expulsion), Norwood and Lambeth.

Frequently, the right wing could not push the required expulsions through the local Constituency Labour Party. Their tactic then was to arrange for 'complaints' from 'party members' who were never named.

The Party leadership would immediately launch an inquiry in the interests of these unnamed Party members.

The inquiry invariably decided on expulsions and if the local party disagreed, it was simply disbanded and only those members who would accept the inquiry's verdict would be admitted to a 'reorganized' constituency party.

Now of course, it is a different matter. Now it is not a few planted and anonymous complaints but thousands of active members of the Labour movement who want to know the truth about their leaders.

Despite the opposition of Underhill and the rest of the Labour bureaucrats, these members have forced the National Executive to agree to an Inquiry.

What is involved, however, is not the personal misdeeds of individuals, but the whole role of the Labour Party leadership in defending capitalism.

It was because the Young Socialists around 'Keep Left' waged a principled struggle against the Labour leadership around socialist policies that they were witch-hunted in the way described in these articles.

The Young Socialists are now the official youth movement of the Workers Revolutionary Party, to which they are affiliated.

THE 'Tribune' lefts, the 'Militant' group and the State Capitalists around 'Young Guard' did all they could to obstruct the fight of the revolutionary youth and to assist the Labour Party leaders against them.

For example, in Liverpool, Councillor Paddy Wall was a well-known supporter of 'The Militant'. At a Liverpool Trades Council and Labour Party meeting held on September 17 a resolution from Edge Hill Constituency Labour Party was placed on the agenda which stated:

'That this CLP resents the recent high-handed attitude of the NEC towards the Young Socialists and calls on the Liverpool TC and LP to declare its support for the Young Socialists Movement.'

The Executive Committee of the Trades Council rejected this resolution and proposed one which concluded:

'This TC and LP affirms its belief in the future of the YS and its determination to resist any reintroduction of the restrictions which have proved a complete failure in the past, or any attempt to form a separate socialist youth organization outside the Labour Party.'

Cllr. P. Wall, with the full support of the right wing and fake lefts, proposed this resolution and said:

'I am opposed to the Edge Hill resolution. It is not just the simple resolution it is made out to be by Mike Farley, it has deeper implications. I am a political animal and as such I am not prepared to give the Young Socialists a blank cheque for all their activities, which is what this seemingly simple resolution wants us to do.'

He then launched an attack on the September 27 demonstration calling it irresponsible and saying that the actions of the majority of the National Committee were sectarian and gave the right wing the excuse to close down the Young Socialists after the election.

There is little doubt about the role which Councillor Wall played. Cheered on by the right wing and the fake lefts he effectively split the left wing vote and defeated the resolution from Edge Hill.

All talk of unity on the left was nonsense as far as he was concerned. He was for unity with the right wing against the vast majority of Young Socialists.

When a Young Socialist delegate from a Constituency Labour Party proposed another resolution: 'That this TC and LP opposes all expulsions of YS mem-

bers and YS branches carried out by the NEC', it was ruled out of order by the chairman.

The chairman was Eric Heffer, then a strong supporter of 'Young Guard' and now 'Tribune'-ite MP for Liverpool, Walton. He not only ruled the resolution out of order, but refused to let him speak at all.

As Keep Left said:

'The more we examine this 'Save the Young Socialists' campaign, the more we can see that it is a conspiracy behind which it is hoped to divert Young Socialists away from the real fight against the right wing and its witch-hunt into an attack on the National Committee of the Young Socialists and Keep Left.'

Instead of 'Save the Young Socialists', they should call themselves 'Save the Young Centrists'—so that they may continued the dirty work for Transport House.'

At the September 27 rally, Chairman Dave Ashby reaffirmed that the youth would not accept expulsions or suspensions. Mike Farley from Wigan said if branches were closed down by Transport House, the youth would re-open them.

Barry Evans from Leicester claimed the rally had been 'carried through in the traditions of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky'.

Commenting on 'Tribune', Sheila Torrance, later to become the Assistant General Secretary of the Socialist Labour League (now the Workers Revolutionary Party), said:

'There is no unity with such people, only between the Young Socialists and the adult workers.'



Keep Left, November 1964

After the rally there was a second march to a Keep Left meeting in St Pancras Town Hall, headed by a Keep Left banner boldly pronouncing that the paper was 'Banned by Wilson, But Read by 10,000 Youth'.

In the main speech, Keep Left's

editor, Aileen Jennings, said a very proud moment for Left and an answer to who said that the paper have to close down because witch-hunt, when all 3,000 Young Socialists on the march Trafalgar Square to march Pancras Town Hall.

When the League of Young Socialists was closed down in 1955 it was Left that played the most important role in keeping alive the youth organizations attached to the various parties. In fact it was only this paper that the youth nationally were able to have any contact at all.

Only a few months after Young Socialists was founded in 1960 Keep Left was asked to be closed down by Transport House.

But Keep Left refused to be closed down to the officials of the Party. It held a conference in Manchester which was attended by Young Socialists from all over the country.

Aileen Jennings stated at each conference of the Young Socialists, Keep Left has had an important role right up to the Brighton conference when every policy put forward by Keep Left had been supported.

'Young Socialists can get inspiration from the fight against the right wing. Keep Left has put up over the years a paper has shown that the youth to build a socialist youth movement is to fight the witch-hunt, before Transport House around 'Young Guard' and the Young Socialists' are the moment.

Keep Left has always been the paper of the socialist youth because it has dealt with their problems such as unemployment, dead-end jobs, and the fight of the apprentice.

We have shown that the bureaucrats can never get the Young Socialists or Keep Left. This is proved by your presence here today and the fact that the paper is read by 10,000 Young Socialists.

Keep Left has always been the paper of the socialist youth will be the paper of the Young Socialists, helping to fight mass movement.

The key to the future is the Labour bureaucracy and contempt for their witch-hunt will have new writers, more will be able to sell paper shall have an open board.

In a letter to all Young Socialists following the rally declaration of the National Committee of the Young Socialists, Dave Ashby and the other members given a clear mandate



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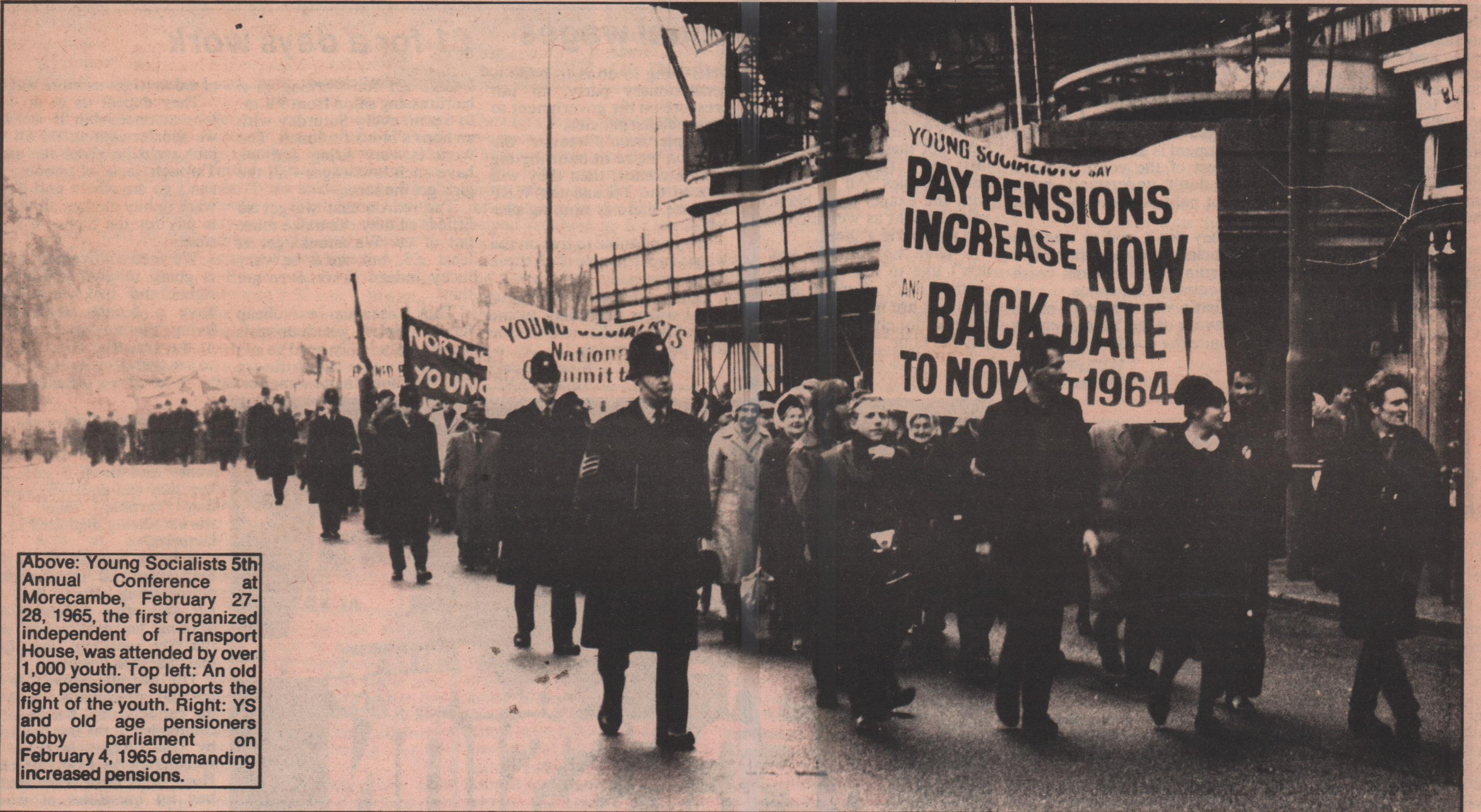
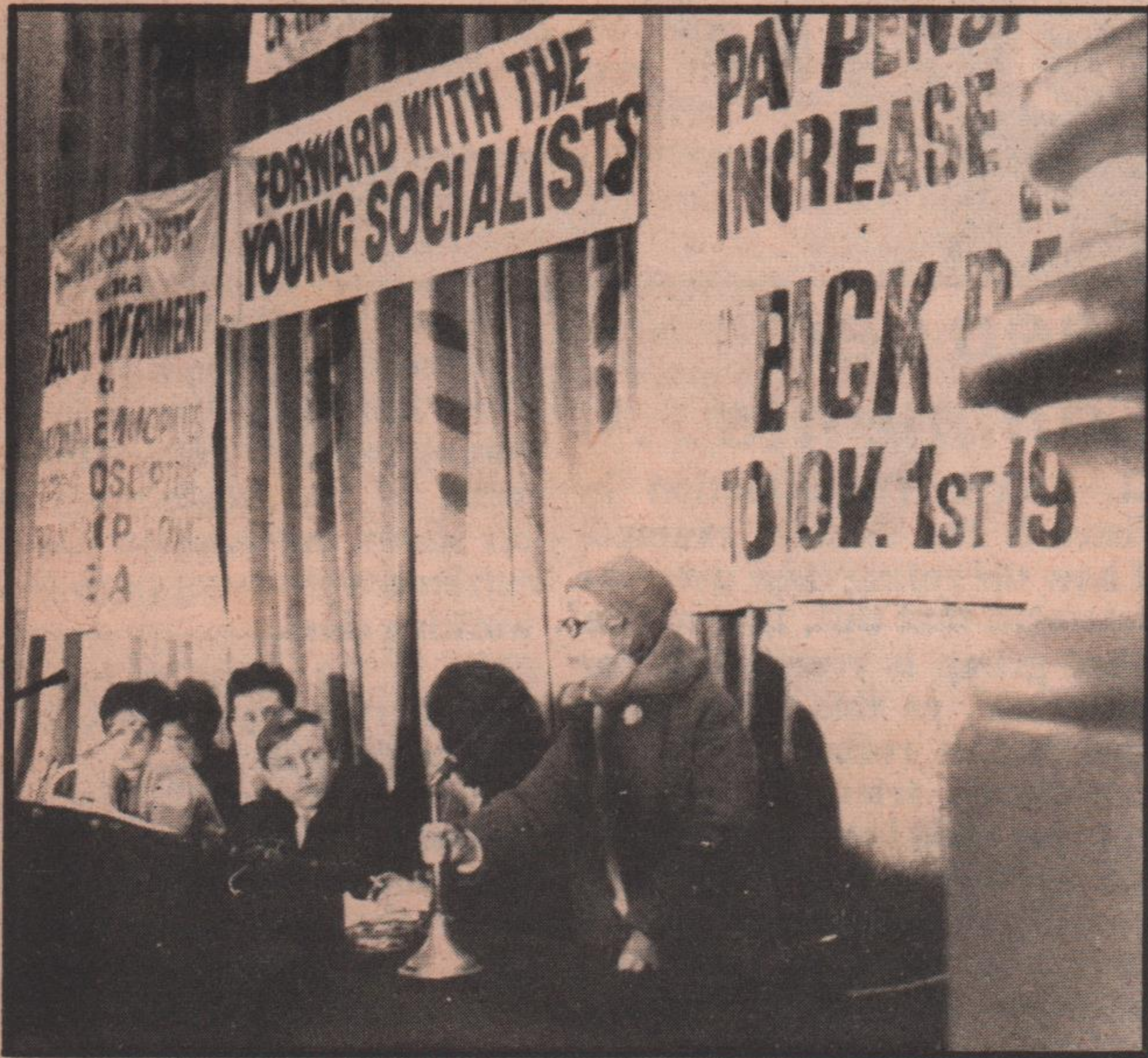
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Above: Young Socialists 5th Annual Conference at Morecambe, February 27-28, 1965, the first organized independent of Transport House, was attended by over 1,000 youth. Top left: An old age pensioner supports the fight of the youth. Right: YS and old age pensioners lobby parliament on February 4, 1965 demanding increased pensions.

Brighton conference of Young Socialists at Easter to organize campaigns around nationalization, better wages, shorter hours, improved training facilities, opposition to wage restraint, opposition to conscription and the demand that troops be withdrawn from foreign countries.

'It is these policies that have guided our action. These same policies must be the backbone of the development of the Young Socialists into a mass youth movement,' his letter declared.

Referring to the witch-hunt carried out by the right wing, Ashby stated that they had been 'ably abetted' by the newspapers 'Young Guard' and 'Militant', which were suggesting that the Young Socialists should try and get peace with Transport House.

'We would like to ask supporters of the 'Militant' and 'Young Guard' what right they think they have of organizing 'Save the YS rallies'. No one has given them a mandate; they do not even fight for the policies of the Young Socialists against the witch-hunt.

'They have finally resorted to the worst kind of arguments to excuse their cowardice—that we on the National Committee ourselves bear some responsibility for the expulsions and shutdowns, because we answered back to the right wing.'

But Ashby pointed out, the 'overwhelming majority' of the YS had acted according to the decisions of the conference and had consistently fought against any attempts to cripple the Labour youth movement. If they had not done this there would have been no movement.

It was clear that the YS was witch-hunted because it posed real answers for the working class in opposition to Wilson, who wanted to turn attention away from the problems that faced people under the bosses.

Referring to the September 27 rally, he said that it had been based on the decisions of the YS conference and the Manifesto was a statement of those decisions. 'September 27 showed that the

stand we have taken has the support of active Young Socialists all over the country,' the letter added, in answer to those who said that the National Committee was splitting the movement.

Keep Left, March 1965  
The extent to which the Revisionists would go to oppose

the youth was shown early in November, 1964. Wandsworth Young Socialists held a recruiting drive and enrolled some 30 working class youth.

The local Labour Party decided these were 'hooligans' and called the police to have them ejected from Party premises. This action was supported by a Mr S. Mani, a member of the 'Militant' group.

Questioned about this at a public meeting in Newcastle, the leader of the group, Mr Ted Grant, declared he would always support the right wing against hooligans.

But the youth were not to be stopped by the 'Militant' group, the state capitalists, 'Tribune' nor Transport House.

That same month Keep Left announced:

'February next year will be an important month for the Young Socialists—for the first time since its inception, the Labour youth movement will be free of the tight reins of the Transport House bureaucracy and the delegates will

be able to discuss campaigns, activities and policies without interjections of 'out of order'.'

And on January 2, 1965, 'Keep Left' held a public Annual General Meeting. Since its proscription in May 1962, the paper had been unable to hold public elections for its editorial board.

Now it issued a public report on its activities, an audited balance sheet, and held an open election for its editorial board.

The open revolutionary youth organization was under way. It was to play a key role in the building of the daily Workers Press and in laying the foundations for the Workers Revolutionary Party.

Today some of the leaders of that Party are comrades who received their early training in the fight against reformism, centrism and revisionism in the Labour Party youth movement.

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## The Labour government

THE Labour government is the same as the Tories—too many promises. In Britain we need a real socialist government.

The Labour government said they would keep down rents and food prices, which they haven't. Clothes and taxes have gone up as well.

Schools haven't improved—in fact it's getting worse, due to the teacher shortage, which is caused by low wages. I have an Art teacher for Maths classes!

The Labour government can afford to give wage rises to the British Army but not the nurses.

The conditions for young people are bad—they grow up in terrible conditions. They can't leave home because of high rents. Often now young people can't find jobs. In my area there are no clubs organized, and if it wasn't for the YS nothing would be organized.

We must get more people interested—go round the houses and talk to young people. We must have more discos and get people to the YS and talk to them and tell them what is happening.

The Keep Left is a good paper—it's better than any other paper. Other papers are filled with rubbish, advertisements and lies. Keep Left is more interesting because it has what's going on throughout the world which other papers don't say about.

They educate the way that they want you to be in school and they make you learn what they want. They say our views are a load of rubbish.

Diane Bibby (14)  
Eltham YS.

## What does Enoch really stand for?

A FEW weeks ago, Keep Left asked for what readers thought of 'The Right Hon Enoch Powell', who some people see as Heath's successor in the Tory Party.

Well, I went to the same Birmingham school as Powell did and I can point out some things which may not be generally known. Before leaving, I think he specialized in Greek and Latin and Ancient History. As some readers will know, the so-called 'Grand Roman Empire' relied for its labour on the most brutal slavery—the masters could kill the slaves at will and get new ones to take their place.

Now Powell is winning support for his remedy to the capitalists' crisis among right wing ruling class circles and also among backward workers. Blaming such as bad

housing, unemployment etc on immigrants, Powell is deliberately setting out to split the working class.

In a time of capitalist slump, such as the one coming now, the ruling class will want capitalism to sort out its problems for itself. This will mean Bonapartist rules and laws being used against trade unions, so the bosses can take who comes first off the dole queue, and pay them the lowest possible wage for the longest possible hours.

Any militant workers, (just like the slaves of Ancient Rome) can be easily got rid of and replaced with others. In this way the ruling class to which Powell belongs means to put value back into this outdated, bankrupt, capitalist system. And Powell, who wants a collapse of the economy and has said so, is gaining increasing support from the Tories.

But Powell refuses to reveal to his working class followers this side of the coin, that it is they who will have to pay for

the crisis of capitalism (he makes many speeches to select audiences which are now barred to the Press). He just attracts people with the statement that this, that or the other group is responsible for the crisis.

If workers want to know what causes unemployment and lay-offs, then who was to blame for the three-day week? Not the working class, but Heath—and it is the crisis of the very capitalist system that Heath is out to protect that produced redundancies, lay-offs etc.

Powell is on record as saying 'I was born a Tory, I am a Tory and I will always remain a Tory'. He also said 'I am the virus that kills socialists. This enemy of the working class, and the police he advocates, must be exposed to all workers, students and youth who might otherwise be taken in by his so-called simple solution to the crisis.'

S.I.R.,  
Newcastle.

## Keep Left Comments..

KL SAYS: The situation in Ulster is the clearest example of how the ruling class uses 'the statement that this, that or the other group is responsible for the crisis', as this letter says. The British ruling class have consistently tried to split the working class between Catholic and Protestant and stop them from fighting together against their real enemy—the Tory land-owners, bosses and top military men.

This division has been

viciously deepened by the intervention of troops in Ulster. The fall of the Faulkner executive and the strengthening of the reactionary forces shows the dangers that the extreme right-wing pose to the working class.

It is no coincidence that Powell recently visited Ulster and made speeches.

The Young Socialists demand that the Labour government immediately withdraw the troops from Ulster and close down the concentration camps which have been established there.

What do you think?

## In favour of the YS

I JOINED the Young Socialist movement because I am interested in what this movement is all about.

Most of the youth today I fear don't understand much about politics and don't want to.

They don't realize that the politicians and the ruling class can ruin their lives and crash this country into chaos.

That's why I'm very much in favour of the YS movement to unite the youth of today.

Willard Fraser  
Streatham YS

## School-leavers dilemma

I HAVE finished school and have got qualifications, but I just can't find a job with decent wages. All the efforts with the exams have been in vain. I might as well have left and worked in a shop.

I have no money, but I don't like to ask my parents as they can't afford it. Saturday jobs are no good because they do not give us the proper pay per hour.

Janet Burr  
Abingdon YS

## Equal wages £1 for a days work

THE thing to do is to build a revolutionary party, to put pressure on the government to pass socialist policies.

People won't realize the position we're in until the big crunch comes, then they will turn to the YS and the WRP because there is nothing else left.

It's impossible to live on the wages I get because of all these rising prices.

So the only answer is to have equal wages according to the size of the families and to stop food prices soaring.

Steve Desport  
Abingdon YS.

I GET £1 for working in a hairdressing salon from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. every Saturday with an hour's break for lunch. The work is very tiring and we have such low wages—all the girls get the same.

The reason that we get so little is so they can make more out of us. We should get at least £5, but we'd be very lucky indeed if we ever got that!

They use us as cheap labour, we've got four girls yet we only really need two—that shows you how little we get. We should have some sort

of union to get us more wages.

They expect us to do four jobs at once—but if we said we didn't want to do all the jobs we'd be given the sack. Through lack of money we can't go anywhere and if you want to buy clothes all you do is pay for the name, it's terrible.

We need a movement which is going to give youth their rights and make sure they have a decent standard of living. You've only got to look at the situation of the nurses to see that.

Janet,  
Basildon YS.

## A young worker writes...

THERE are plenty of vacancies in Banbury as there are three industrial estates—but all the jobs have low wages, and to get a decent standard of living you are forced to work overtime.

There is only one factory here that pays reasonable money, and that's because they operate a three-shift system. Most of the factories have full order books, but can't get the labour.

Where I work they are talking about introducing the three-shift system to get orders out. On my section we have an order for 120,000 components. They reckon that it could take two years to make up all these orders, but the way the crisis is developing all the workers in the motor industry could be on the dole by then.

We'll have to fight against this shift system as they probably won't offer us any more money and it will only put us out of work that much quicker.

All the entertainment in Banbury is owned by capitalists, so it's always dear and usually rubbish.

Houses cost between £8,000 and £15,000 in Banbury.

These are just a few reasons why it's important to build the YS and WRP in Banbury, to expose the Labour Party which refuses to do anything, and the Stalinists who cover up for them.

Part of our programme must be to hold discos that young people can afford.

Les Hemmings  
Banbury YS

## Keep Left comments on the crisis in the car industry...

YOUNG workers in Britain are fighting for their rights and living standards in a situation where the whole of industry is threatened with recession and collapse.

In the car industry, catastrophic shutdowns involving the loss of millions of jobs are on the cards. Car sales have slumped in every country and big firms are laying off and sacking workers, and speeding up the work in the factories.

In Britain, experts say that only 1.1 million cars will be produced in the next year compared to 1.7 million last year. Already British Leyland, Britain's biggest motor firm, are trying to cut their huge losses by lay-offs.

At British Leyland's Cowley, Oxford plant, 1,000 workers have already been made temporarily unemployed. Management have said that they will be undertaking a 'thorough investigation' of their British enterprises, which will 'undoubtedly' lead to sackings.

It was the issue of speed-up which forced British Leyland to victimize transport shop steward Alan Thornett earlier this year.

Ford Motor Company have also announced that they will not expand their investment in Britain, thus threatening the job of every Ford worker. Henry Ford II stated two weeks ago that he hoped to move into Spain in a bigger way—the reason for this being that workers in Spain have no right to a decent standard of living, are viciously exploited, and



have no trade unions through which to fight.

Car production in the United States was down by 34 per cent in the first three months of 1974. 1.7 million cars which no one will buy are being stockpiled in the US. General Motors, the biggest of the car giants, is producing only 47 per cent of the cars that they were last year.

In Germany, thousands of Volkswagen workers have been sacked or laid off. As home sales have gone down by 18 per cent, and overseas sales down

by 25 per cent, Volkswagen chiefs have said that if the wage levels stay the same it will be impossible for them to maintain the full work force. A stockpile of 472,000 unsold Volkswagens has built up.

Demand for cars is falling as petrol, spare parts, HP and interest payments make cars a luxury which workers cannot afford. Fords and British Leylands announced car price increases only this week.

The situation which comrade Les Hemmings of Banbury YS writes about in his factory can

only be examined in the light of this enormous crisis. Certain firms may have vacancies, and it is true that the unemployment figures in Britain are not as high as in 1971.

But this in no way alters the fact that there is a world crisis of capitalism which threatens whole economies. It in no way alters the fact that huge volumes of paper money, built up on the markets since the second world war, are now worthless because they have lost all relationship to gold and hold no value of their own.

It in no way alters the fact that capitalists have to put back value into this paper money and there is only one way they can do it—by extracting surplus value from workers being exploited in the factories.

It in no way alters the fact that industrial investment is plummeting down, that the car and other industries are heading for a recession, and that the working class faces mass unemployment.

The overall cutback in industrial production, such as the car industry, has been accompanied in the last few years by the huge increase in speculation in raw materials. Huge sums have been used to buy up quantities of wheat, soya beans, basic metals and other materials and the prices have been pushed up out of all proportion.

Millions of pounds worth of paper money is now tied up in this speculation. If at any point the prices go down from their artificially high levels, speculators stand to lose millions overnight. This sort of deflationary situation is now a danger to the whole world economy.

Young workers must be warned that the conditions and rights which they have won since the Second World War are now in danger. The illusions that young people have about the future, which have been built up in this 'boom' period, are now being exploded as the economic crisis becomes clearer every day.

Youth must start not from surface impressions of the developments of the crisis but from its deep and worldwide character.

It is a crisis which means that the building of a new revolutionary leadership for the working class must be fought for throughout the trade union movement and in every factory.



# STOP THE FASCIST SPEAKERS!

ON SATURDAY June 15, the National Union of Students will hold an emergency conference mandated from their Easter conference to discuss the Labour government's grants offer.

But added to the agenda in recent weeks has been a resolution amending policy passed at Easter by a 21,000

majority declaring that students and NUS constituent organizations would use whatever means at their disposal to stop racist and fascist speakers on appearing on university and college platforms.

The amendment was introduced after a witch-hunt in the Tory Press and on television. The Young Socialists

have condemned the retreat by the NUS executive.

Here Keep Left interviews two YSSS members who explain why.

**MICK DALY** (20), a biology student at Thames Polytechnic, Woolwich said:

THE RESOLUTION submitted by

the NUS executive on June 15 to the emergency conference shows clearly the bankrupt nature of the Stalinist NUS bureaucracy.

In a motion passed at the Liverpool conference, Steve Parry, national secretary, said we shouldn't give in to the forces of reaction.

But now we can see

the executive giving in to the same forces of reaction in Fleet Street and in Westminster. In re-submitting a much weaker motion to the Emergency Conference, the Stalinists are once again acting as agents of the ruling class in the student movement.

**MARIOS PETROU**

(22), is studying philosophy and politics at Kent University.

IT'S JUST like McGahey when he said about leafletting troops. All the Press came out in a red scare, and he took back everything he said and re-affirmed his belief in democratic

processes. The Communist Party and all the rest of the 'Broad Left' put on a lot of left face and talk, when they said about no free speech to fascists. When there was a Press witch-hunt every time the fascists were stopped from speaking, they just capitulated to the Press.

# SAY YSSS MEMBERS

# SCHOOL STRIKES IN 1911

HERE Keep Left investigates the schools strike of 1911 which started in Wales and Liverpool and spread like wildfire to schools throughout Britain.

In 1973, we saw again under the hated Tory government, school youth come out on the streets and march in defence of their rights to decent education.

Today the same problems are still posed in the schools—education cut-backs mean that more and more youth spend their years at school completely disillusioned with the education and thoroughly frustrated with their lack of opportunity.

A HUGE wave of strikes demanding more wages took place in 1911; dockers, railwaymen and other sections of workers took action to defend their living standards from the attacks of the employers.

As the working class moved forward the attacks of the ruling class became more severe.

During the seamen's strike in the same year, the Army had to be moved into Salford to protect property (of the capitalists) and to maintain (bourgeois) law and order.

In 1911 the number of children that were able to secure a decent education in



The school strikers in Hull.

decent conditions was extremely small. For one thing only working-class boys were educated, the daughters of all but the ruling class receiving no education at all. Many pupils would attend school each day without shoes or proper clothing, because their parents were unable to afford such necessities on their pay.

The children's strike began at a school at Llanely when a boy was punished for passing a piece of paper round the class. His fellow-pupils promptly struck, fighting victimization just as their fathers would have done. This first

strike was rapidly crushed and did not spread to other schools in the area.

On the next day children at a school in Liverpool came out on strike. At this school an amazing phenomena began to appear: the pupils elected their own strike committee, and organized flying pickets which went round all the schools in the area bringing out other pupils. The strike movement spread rapidly throughout the country.

In all areas the strikes were met by threats of prosecution from the authorities and violence from the head-

masters. In Liverpool the authorities considered calling out a Boy Scouts Troop to put down the strikers (just as in Salford the Army was sent in to crush the workers).

In some towns thousands of youth marched through the streets singing and shouting—in many places police were called to deal with pickets who were travelling from school to school.

The demands put forward by the strikers included:

- 'Steam heating apparatus;
- Age limit fixed at 14'
- Shorter hours;
- Potato-lifting holidays;

No home lessons; Abolition of the strap; Free pencils and rubbers.'

What is important here is, firstly, that the children who came out on strike realized that their fight for better condition was the same, in essence, as that of their parents; and secondly, that the demands that they raised were aimed at ending the repressive character of the education that they received, and also aimed at making a decent education available to all.

Since 1911, the struggles of the working class, organized in the trade unions, have won the right to an elementary education. Today youth must come forward in the fight to defend these rights from the attacks of the ruling class.

Just as their ancestors fought alongside their parents in 1911 youth today must fight alongside the trade unions and other workers' organizations in order to secure better conditions.

Only a revolutionary Party basing itself on the body of knowledge, that is Marxism, can lead these struggles of the youth in defence of their basic rights. In Britain, the Young Socialists can provide an alternative to the reformist and revisionist traitors, who can do nothing to defend our basic rights, won over centuries of struggle.

# Death of the Duke

BY A GUEST REVIEWER

**DUKE ELLINGTON**, who died last week aged 75, was one of the earliest band leaders in jazz, and without doubt also the best. He first worked professionally in 1918 and led his first band in 1927, working principally in New York's smart night spots.

He kept this band together for nearly 50 years. During this time he introduced many of the techniques that ar-

rangers now take for granted, wrote hundreds of tunes—many, like 'Mood Indigo' and 'Satin Doll' more famous than their composer—and a number of extended compositions. He was the unchallenged mentor of every jazz player throughout the world, from Miles Davis and Charlie Parker downwards.

He had a unique style of leading a band which moulded the compositions and arrangements to the temperaments of the musicians who played for him.

Many of these, like Johnny

Hodges and Harry Carney spent nearly their whole working lives with the band. This blend of leader and sidemen, professionalism and excitement, sophistication and originality made the Ellington Orchestra inimitable and unrivalled.

He was the complete opposite of the popular image of the jazzman—the high-living loner or the soul-searching rebel. He was a patriotic American, a devout Christian and decidedly conservative in his views.

His ambition was to win a place for his music in what was a basically hostile society. Jazz as a dance band music was popular, successful and acceptable, but as art—whichever thought in those days that a black jazz band leader could be an artist?

This was one reason why Ellington's orchestra was so important to him. His music was not written for posterity or even for other bands (most often, it wasn't even written down) but was to be played there and then by the specific soloists and musicians in the band.



The sound of the band, its rhythms, colours, etc were his and his alone. He refused to notate his arrangements and was impatient of analysts of his music—for him his music was there—thought out and then played; take it or leave it, only take it.

Throughout the '30s and '40s—years of slump, depression and world war—music in America, both black and white, was by and large, either pure escapism or a form of social protest. During this period, however, the Ellington band recorded hundreds of superb tracks largely untouched by these events.

He continued to work as a bandleader and writer, whose career was highlighted by successful tours of Europe,

where he won the acclaim he had always sought in America ('If they think I'm that important, then maybe I've said something. Maybe our music does mean something').

But Ellington could never achieve this aim. Jazz is essentially music of the dance halls and clubs, and, for the American establishment, is in the last analysis vulgar. This is why a nonentity like Samuel Barber (who?) can win the Pulitzer Prize for Music, which was specifically refused to Duke Ellington.

Duke's defence was to adopt a mask—even his close friends and fellow musicians didn't know when he was serious or tongue-in-cheek. It is this tantalizing aspect of his music that makes it so fascinating.

There are other jazz musicians who have had the same aims and aspirations as the Duke—Count Basie is one—but no-one who has so well combined the artist and musical diplomat on the one hand, with the showman who could spoof the whole thing, on the other.

There will never be another Duke Ellington. Not merely because his was a once-in-a-century genius, but because the crisis of capitalism is ideological as well as economic.

Young artists could never find the environment that men like Ellington had—years of comparative economic freedom and acceptance. Nowadays, even the best of them are lucky to find work.



Below: the Duke. Top right: his band.

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# More successful 'Join YS' rallies

THE YOUNG Socialists recruitment campaign continued this week with rallies in the East Midlands and North West region.

On Saturday the East Midlands rally began with a highly successful five-a-side football tournament. Ten teams from Nottingham, Leicester and Derby played very competitive and entertaining football.

Many of the games were so closely fought that they had to be decided by penalty kicks.

The winners of the football were Pakmount Colts.

The rally which was held afterwards was addressed by Sarah Hannigan, Editor of Keep Left. She said that the YS had always warned about the crisis of capitalism, and that this crisis threatened the livelihood of every young person.

There was a heated discussion about the role of the army in Ulster. YS members pointed out though that the army was there to protect big business, not the working class.

After the rally many of the new youth joined the Young

Socialists. Up in the north west region the YS had another very successful and lively rally last Saturday which also followed football.

The Five-a-side tournament was hotly contested with all the teams playing good football. Speke fought it out in the final with Skelmersdale and beat them 6-5. It was watched with great interest, and the youth had many questions to ask. Sylvester Smart, YS member and a Workers Revolutionary Party candidate during the General Election, spoke at the meeting.

The Disco which followed was attended by even more youth who heard 'Forget-me-Not' sound system.



Five-a-side football at the East Midlands YS Rally.

## Knottingley YS win 5-a-side competition outright

BRADFORD was the scene of some more exciting play-offs in the West Yorkshire five-a-side league.

The powerful Knottingley team dominated the games and won both against Bradford and Bramley (Leeds).

In their first match Rob Taylor of Knottingley ran rings around the Bradford defence and scored five goals, despite some skilful saves by Bradford's goalkeeper.

The pace of the game was fast and exciting. Bradford's Floyd Campbell managed to break through the Knottingley defence and scored two goals. Eddie Williams made the score 6-2.

The score of the second match, between Bradford and Bramley, was 7-2. The standard of play was not so high as the two teams have never played each other — and it was a pity that Bramley's performance was so poor.

The Bradford scorers were Floyd Campbell (5), Frank (1), and Ram (1). Bramley's goals were both scored by Eddie.

In the last match the standard of football was high although many of the players showed signs of tiredness. Bramley were completely outclassed by Knottingley, and scored no goals. Knottingley's scorers were Rob Taylor (3), Eddie Williams (2), Frank Garbutt (1) and Tom Mills (1). The final score was 7-0.

In their three league matches Knottingley have scored 22 goals and look like being the winners of the league. Their players on Sunday were: Tom Mills (captain), Frank Garbutt (vice-captain), Malcolm Wheatley, Rob Taylor, Michael Madajewski and Eddie Williams.



Rallies in the East Midlands (below) and in North-west (Liverpool) (above).



## THE CHAMPIONS!



'Aegus' team from Tottenham, who won the five-a-side competition at the North East London YS Regional Rally last Sunday. It was contested by 16 teams.

### YS REGIONAL RALLIES

**SOUTH WALES YS**  
Sunday June 9  
Grove End Social Club, Gorseinon.  
Tickets 20p.  
Five-a-side football: 2 p.m.  
YS film and Rally: 6 p.m.  
Disco in the evening

**SOUTH YORKSHIRE YS**  
Sunday June 30  
South Kirby Miners Welfare South Kirby.  
Tickets 25p.  
Five-a-side football: 2 p.m.  
YS film and Rally: 6 p.m.  
Disco in the evening.

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All regions have big summer events which can help drive our campaign forward. Post all donations immediately to:

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