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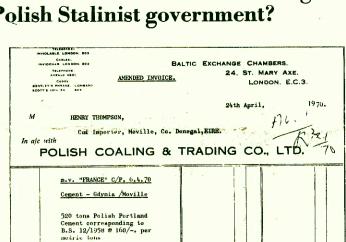
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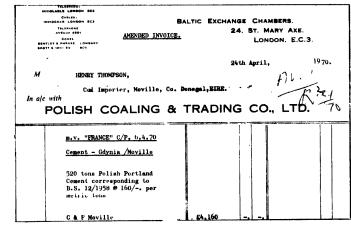
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Anthony Barber, who is in Luxembourg on behalf of the Tory government, is making the third attempt of British capitalism to find a way of reconciling its interests with those of French and German capital.

Ireland, Denmark and Norway are also applying at the same time.

'IOBS not redundancy' demanded posters at yesterday's meeting of maintenance, electrical and engineering strikers from Standard Telephone's Submarine Cables factory at Erith, Kent, where 280 sackings have been threatened.

Erith strikers demand

A total of more than 700 workers are now on strike. 170 workers from Greenwich, some of whom are also threatened with redundancy, shut down the company's plant there on Monday.

Greenwich Amalgamated Engineers and Foundryworkers' steward Harry Stevens told the meeting that working-class

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proposed sackings.

could stop the sackings and warned it cannot be left to officials or MPs as they do not work on the conditions in

However, Submarine Cables workers still face a fight against some union officials who still talk in terms of 'better redundancy pay' and acceptance of 'some redun-dancies' instead of organizing an all-out fight against the

'jobs not redundancy'

A vote to carry on the strike and to demand the withdrawal of the 11 redundancy notices issued at the weekend was carried unani-



MY KNOWLEDGE of Ned Kelly, the Australian folk hero is limited. He came from Irish stock who were deported to Australia, he fell foul of the English police in Victoria and became a wanted man with a price on his head.

He wrote an extraordinary letter protesting his innocence and finally shot it out with the police single handed, clad head to foot in a suit of iron which he made for the purpose. He was hanged.

Such information is contained also in Tony Richardson's film 'Ned Kelly' - precisely that and no more.

# On Kelly's side

Richardson attempts a sympathetic portrait, that is to say he is on Kelly's side.

In some sense it is refreshing to see a film which gives no quarter to the police and authority. Richardson is with the outcast and the rebel.

Yet the film leaves merely an impression of perfunctoriness, of shallowness.

It slips by at the regulation number of frames per second, in stunning colour, but as someone once said of Hollywood, there is less in it than meets the eye.

The Australian landscape is always swirling in mists, the lens catches only bloodshot sunsets or sunrises, driving rain and at one point snow. It is the effect that predominates.

The characters merely tell the plot to each other.

They are recounting history and not really living it for us.

No relationship between the characters is explored. They say simple lines to each other which are merely devices to push on to the next bit of 'filmic' action, whether it be horse-stealing, a gun fight or a

'NED KELLY' starring MICK JAGGER

directed by TONY **RICHARDSON** 

It has really then the intellectual content of a series of TV commercials, spectacular in many ways, but completely

If you read Kelly's letter, and I am relying on memory here, even though parts of it are quoted in the film, a completely different kind of Kelly emerges from the one that Mick Jagger plays and Richard-

It is a passionate, rich and semi-literate outcry of indignation, hatred and contempt for authority and the police.

Kelly was obviously a man absolutely rooted in the tradi-tion of Irish struggle, with all the heroism, colour, ingenuity and adventurism of his past.

'I have been wronged!' he cries. 'I give warning!' he threatens.

He has an inspired insanity, bred out of oppression and hatred, that can drive him to take on the English police single-handed.

It's his fanaticism and wild improvization that makes him interesting, not simply as a figure from the past, but as part and parcel of a tradition of Irish rebellion that to this day is being fought out in the streets of Belfast and Derry with all its heroic weakness.

## **Opportunist**

In this sense Richardson has a completely opportunist relationship to his central hero, and his choice of Mick Jagger for the role reflects this.

He seeks to give a con-temporary relevance to Ned Kelly by emphasizing the anti-authoritarianism of the modern protest of youth.

He chooses the personality and history of Jagger to do this for him in one leap and it fails abysmally, not because Jagger is inadequate as a performer.

I would defy any actor to give a comprehensive performance because the possibility simply does not exist in the script or the treatment.

All the characters are animated shadows that move across the screen and no more.

To reduce Ned Kelly to a figure of pop protest is to miscast history for purely modish, opportunist reasons.

Richardson's inability to grasp the true significance of a Ned Kelly is not so much in question here.

For that he would have to be a Marxist and at this historical moment there are few creative artists who have that understanding. I am not therefore concerned with crimes of omission.

## Middle class

But more important is a certain mood among the middle class that this film

It's the kind of confused irresponsibility from the side lines, glib provocations to adventures, a sort of petulant 'damn them all'.

This mood was very clear amongst middle-class political tendencies throughout the election. And it is dangerous.

It is dangerous in N Ireland and it is dangerous here.

As a tendency posturing at this moment on the left it has direct social and economic links with the frustrations with monopoly capital and state authority that the petty bourgeoisie on the right are now voicing.

In a sense what both fear are organized working-class action and discipline.

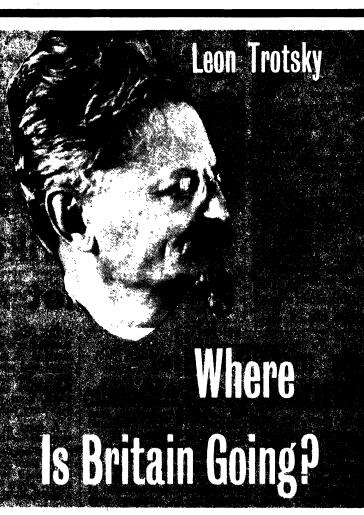
The rebel posturing at one moment in a changed crisis situation can easily be transformed into its opposite, some form of idiot socialism, looking for the great man to put it

The failed adventures of today are the preparations for









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# POLITICAL

MANY READERS will have been struck by the similarity between the statements of Mr Harry Nicholas after last Wednesday's Labour Party **Executive and Sir Alf Ramsey** on his return from the World Cup the following day.

'The team provided all that was necessary in skill and entertainment. They also played with dignity, said Sir Alf.

'There were no recriminations at the meeting. The only weak point in the campaign had been the failure to get out sufficient postal voters in marginal constituencies,' said the Labour Party team manager.

'I don't think we can learn anything from the Brazilians . . . We were one of the best teams in the competition,' thought the England general secretary.

'The degree of work in the constituencies was even better than it had ever been,' declared 'It is fair to say that England

was a team the Brazilians feared most . . . People had been lulled by the opinion polls . . . England's defeat by W Germany in the quarter finals will be one of the mysteries of football One of the TV authorities had a

very interesting film on polling

night', said Sir Alf Nicholas-or was it Harry Ramsey?

One thing is very clear. In order to stop anyone asking about the policies of Labour's captain, what Transport House needs is a star sweeper (under the carpet). No strikers, please!



Sir ALF

IT IS JUST 20 years since the Korean war broke out in

N Korean troops, later joined by the Chinese Red Army, fought against the forces of the US puppet Syngman Rhee. Very soon, a big US army was in action, disguised as a 'United Nations' force.

The British Labour government sent troops to join the fight of imperialism against the Korean people and the Chinese Revolu-

As the Cold War began to hot up, the Labour leaders embarked on a massive re-armament drive, the expenditure for which was a major factor bringing the reforms of the government to a halt and leading to the Tory victory in the following year.

You might have thought that any account of the Labour government of 1945-1951 would deal quite extensively with these events. But a recent series in the 'International Socialist' paper 'Socialist Worker' (May 30 and June 6) somehow managed to miss the Korean war completely.

It is not hard to guess why. IS originated in a break from the Trotskyist movement on pre-

T. Cliff and his supporters, who had previously been in agreement with the tendency then led by Haston, decided that the Soviet Union was not a workers' state, as Trotsky had analysed it, but was 'state capi-According to this line, there-

fore, the war in Korea was a conflict between two capitalist powers, the USA and the USSR. The conclusion—a firm position of neutrality on the part of socialists.

Now this was very comfort**KOREAN WAR: Missed out** 

'unvirites history

able, at a time when the Labour 'lefts' were running for cover, with the great 'anti-imperialist' Fenner Brockway well to the fore in supporting the 'UN'. While the Trotskyists fought

for the unconditional defence of the Chinese Revolution against imperialism, Cliff was giving very 'left' reasons for taking a neutral

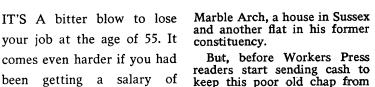
In case anyone thinks that this might have been a mistake which IS later corrected, they published an editorial in the Spring 1968 issue of their magazine reaffirming their 1950 position, and

trying to show that the Vietnam war was quite different.
But in 1970, IS, with its usual devotion to principles, tries to avoid the question altogether.

# DON'1 **'COURTAULDS!'**

£3,250 a year.

has to worry about his flat near



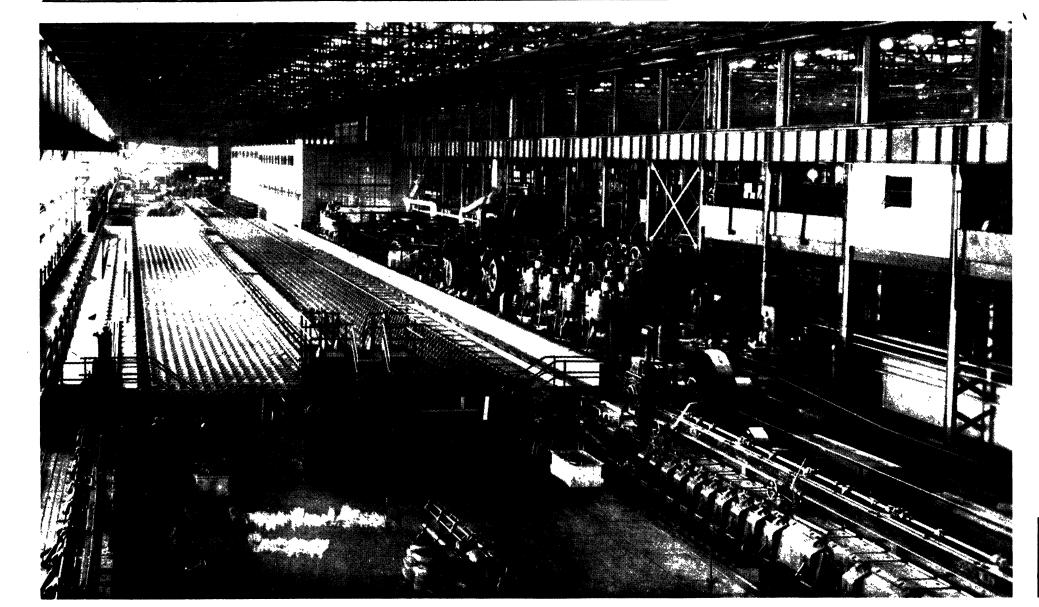
keep this poor old chap from utter destitution, let us hurry to reassure you: he still has his memoirs to finish, for which he No wonder Mr George is promised an advance of Brown is thinking of selling his white Jaguar. Not that Brown is homeless. In fact he

In the meantime, he might be able to scrape along on the

£8,000 a year he gets as industrial relations adviser to Courtaulds.

When Courtaulds chairman Lord Kearton's salary was announced to have gone up by £7,500 to £30,025 in last week's annual report, it was explained that this was to enable the company to pay more to other executives.

So maybe Brown won't be on the bread-line after all.



... The deathly hush which settles over the whole works leaves the management in no doubt of the significance of the role played by the workers when operating the machines

# Some questions on 'Productivity' payment schemes

If productivity deals offer more money for greater output — isn't this a fair enough bargain?

WAGES are not and never have been controlled by the quantity or value of the goods produced or by the productivity of labour.

The view which the employers and the ruling class have put forward on wages is that they are a logically worked out system giving 'fair' return for effort expended.

The old saying has been used for generations, 'a fair day's work for a fair day's

pay'.
It is used with equal gusto by the employer running a sweat shop on rock bottom wages, to the employer in a factory where trade unions have forced relatively high

Even where workers were forced to work 14 hours a day for a few shillings, living in grinding poverty, employers have used this saying just as confidently.

Marx, in 'Das Kapital', pointed out that wages are simply a means of exploiting the vast majority of humanity in order that a tiny minority should continue to live in luxury and wealth far beyond the wildest imagination of any working man.

He set out to show that all wealth is created by the working class, using the tools of the

Hector's house. 5.50 News, weather.

8.00 MISSION IMPOSSIBLE.

8.50 NEWS and weather.

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6.00 LONDON. 6.15 WIMBLEDON 1970.

7.35 THE DOCTORS.

period and the available resources of nature, and that there is no other source of value on the earth.

The worker himself has no wealth or property. He has only one 'commodity' which he can sell, and that is his ability to work, or as Marx called it his labour power.

Marx showed that the value

of a commodity (an item produced for exchange rather than personal consumption) depended on the amount of

labour used to produce it. He went on to show that under capitalism, labour power itself was a commodity produced for the market.

#### Labour power

Like any other commodity, labour power has its price. This price approximates to the cost of the upkeep of the worker and his family. The worker hopes to sell his commodity, his labour power, for as much as possible, the buyer, the employer, aims to pay as little as

The real value of a workers' labour power is the sum of the value he produces during his hours of work. But the employer will pay him only a proportion of this; the rest is taken by the employer in the form of surplus value.

Some of this surplus is used by the employer for re-investfor future surplus value and the rest is retained for personal

11.22 News, weather.

N Ireland: 6.00-6.15 Scene around six, weather. 11.22 News, weather.

South and West: 6.00-6.15 Points West. South today. Spotlight South-West, weather. 11.22 News, weather.

consumption, liquid assets, etc. An employer normally wants labour to be supplied continuously so that he can grow fat and rich on a stream of surplus value. The 'minimum

wage' therefore is that wage

which allows a worker to continually reproduce another week's supply of labour power. In other words, to provide himself with enough food, clothes, shelter, etc., firstly in

order to be able to return to the factory the next day fit enough to carry out another shift and secondly in order to bring up a family in order to provide the future labour power for the next generation of exploiters. Even under a slave society

these basic necessities had to be given to the slaves, otherwise they were of no further use. We are talking now, of course, of rock bottom sub-

In the industrialized countries (this excludes the semicolonies where grinding poverty is still the order of the day) the working class has been able by struggle with the employers to attain a standard of living higher than this.

In Britain today, for example, it would be useless for an employer to offer wagesexcept at a time of enormous crisis — at bare subsistence level; in other words the employer must pay enough wages to allow the worker to reproduce his labour power at the

socially accepted standard prevailing at the time and place

But the employer still sets out to pay the worker as little as possible within these limits, this is the reality of wages.

It is from this struggle between the working class and the capitalists that wage levels are set. After the employer has hired the worker he sets him to work, but as far as the capitalist is concerned it is no business of the worker whether his labour is used to produce ten or ten thousand items, the wages are paid for the hire of the labour-power for the day or the week and what the employer uses it for is his own

This may not seem to be the case with piecework payments; after all, the worker is paid by the unit, which is apparently equivalent to being paid according to output. In fact, the wage arrangement is not a product of the number of items produced, but of the continuing struggle of the workers against the employers to revise and re-fix the priceper-piece.

The worker struggles to get a price which will, at the very least, give him his keep when all the payments have been added up. The employer attempts to keep this price down to the minimum subsistence level for the worker and the maximum profit for himself.

The arrangement where the worker gets a day's keep in return for a day's labour is very convenient for the bosses because the level of labour productivity is such that the worker has soon turned out the value of his day's keep. i.e. a day's wages. The rest of the working day is entirely for the employer's pocket. It is totally unpaid labour.

In fact, the story about the 'fair day's pay' (the minimum that the boss can get the worker to accept) for the 'fair day's work' (the maximum amount of labour he can squeeze out of the worker during the working day) is the greatest confidence trick of all. far greater than that of productivity deals, which are just one form that the struggle for surplus value takes.

#### But surely the machines themselves produce value?

WE SAY NO. No value can be produced by a machine. But, you may then say, a machine can churn out masses of commodities in the course of a day, surely it is producing value?

This can only be answered in the following way. Machines do not grow on trees. They are produced by labour. Therefore if a machine is turning out commodities

which have value, that value

is not being created by the

machine, it is created by the labour of the workers who work the machine. At the same time, it is true that a small part of the value of the machine passes into each product as 'wear and tear'

of the machine. In other words there are, in a sense, two types of labour power used to produce a commodity. There is the labour power of those who made the machine that is used in production and the labour power

of those who service and oper-

ate the machine. Marx placed the investment industries — those that made machines, and not commodities for direct consumption — in section two in his economic schemata, and the industries that do produce commodities

for consumption section one. You may think that all this is irrelevant to the question of productivity, Measured - Day

Work, etc. But here we must turn to the role of crisis, which as was shown in earlier article is the real reason behind every productivity output.

If you ask why there are crises under capitalism, the answer will be found in the theory of value, wages, etc. To be specific, that part of the theory of value which explains the tendency to the falling rate of profit, the most basic contradiction of capitalism. Marx showed that as time

went by there was a tendency for every capitalist to invest proportionately more in machines than in labour. But since surplus value can only be created by living labour, the rate of surplus value from any given amount of investment has a corresponding tendency to fall as time goes by.

ployers can only view with horror any existing wage systems which promote the illusion that pay is in any way tied to

This not only applies to piecework, but also to conventional time-working, where, although workers may be paid only for the hours of attendance, they nevertheless do not blind themselves to the amount of work they are doing (and the amount of profit being made) and consequently demand new basic rates in keeping with the work done.

It is the aim of the business consultants to wipe out the memory of the traditional systems of payment, and especially to stop the worker from adding up how much he would have earned if piecework rates were still operating.

of around 4 to 5 per centapart from the effects of national pay increases. The second ploy, that under

the new system wages are tied to productivity, is another deception. When workers have increased output they will be told that only part of the increase is due to their extra

labour, the rest being due to new machinery and new

methods. An example of this is seen from the decision of the PIB on the 1968 ICI wage claim. The PIB's report admitted that productivity had risen by 10 per cent, but concluded that they could only allow a 3½ per cent rise and not the 6½ per cent asked for.

This was because: 'The increase in productivity is due to a wide range of fac-



This is a regular series on 'Work Study' and new payment methods in industry.

maintain their declining margins, employers struggle to get from each worker an increasing amount of productivity.

amount of profit.

the system lead to enormous recurring crises of 'over-proproduction' which lead to massive attacks on the working class and wars of destruction as the system fights for

fits in the first half of 1970, which occurs in the midst of the most profound crisis the capitalist system has ever faced, clearly shows the relationship between the crisisand the falling rate of profit.

How do productivity deals

ONE OF the basic aims of huge increases in output. In this situation the emThe new sytems are intro-

i. on the basis that the old methods of payment were 'unscientific', that many anomalies existed as well as many faults which made it entirely impossible to take previous levels of production as a basis for new levels.

ii. on the basis that the new scientific systems actually tie wages to productivity.

The major 'unscientific system' under attack is now 'wage drift'. This is where the successful workers' struggle in the factories win for the group, or even for the individual worker, payments over and above the nationally negotiated rates. As a Prices and Incomes

Board report on payment-byresults explains:

'This effect is particularly marked where new piece-work rates or work-loads have to be negotiated fairly frequently; against a background of strong union organization in the workplace and of high employment, it inevitably tends to induce a steady increase in the actual hourly wages paid.'

This 'pieceworkers' creep' was found by the PIB to bring about in many plants an annual rate of earnings growth

tors, including notably, capital investment, and it is not possible to ascribe a particular share of this continuing increase to the direct contribution of the workers.'

**BERNARD** 

**FRANKS** 

It has been a main argument of government departments, managements and consultants that they are unable to separate the increases in productivity which are due to modernization, and those due to increased effort made by the workers.

Of course not! No such

separation is possible.

The level of productivity in any modern working process is based on a unity and combination of the productive forces - including the workers who operate the process.

In no way would it be possible for a group of workers acting without modern machines and equipment to produce goods in the same quantity, detail and tolerance currently attained.

Similarly, whatever may be the possibilties in a future socialist society, it is totally impossible at present for machines to act without their human operators. Even 'automatic' machines are not vet able to maintain themselves (replace worn and damaged parts, repair electrical faults,

etc.); they must be serviced continually by large numbers of maintenance personnel.

Th understanding of this indivisibility is usually brought home sharply to the employer when workers totally, or even in part, withdraw their labour. The deathly hush which settles over the whole works leaves the management in no doubt of the significance of the role played by the workers when operating the machines.

But in any case where have the machines—the 'capital investment' mentioned by the PIB-come from, except from the workers themselves?

Everything has come from their labour in producing commodities, thereby creating value. In this sense the entire increase in productivity can be said to be totally due to the working class and to no one In fact, 'the experts' know

very well the discrepancies in their argument and when pressed to define what they mean by increased produc-tivity, explain that they are referring to that which is due to 'greater effort' by the

To them, this would appear a safe way of holding down payment, as any human being is only capable of raising mental and physical effort to a limited extent.

The scientific equipment needed to measure the physical and mental effort associated with any activity occupies a volume of several hundred cubic feet and cannot be strapped unobtrusively to the back of the operative, even supposing for one moment he was willing to accept such an imposition.

## **Physical**

But without such equipment it is impossible to have any clue whatsoever as to how much physical effort (use of muscles, chemical energy, converted to mechanical energy) or mental effort is involved in even the simplest operation. To what, then, are wages really tied in productivity deals?

They are fixed according to time study, or more specifically to the rating scale.

This is the measure of opinion of the consultants of how much effort is being used by the worker. Mathematical formulas have been invented by which the amount of movement the worker makes in one minute can be compared with a 'standard minute', which is the consultant's estimate of how much movement should have been made in the time.

On the job this is usually reflected in each task being given a time in which it must be accomplished. With an incentive-bonus scheme the payment is based on an ascending scale of performance. With Measured-Day Work a fixed target level must be achieved for the payment of a basic wage to be made.

And how are the payments which will be attached to the consultants' formulas decided? As in the case of every other system of payment, by the struggle between workers and employers to fix the scale of payment according to their respective and entirely opposing

needs. In other words, 'productivity' wages, as with all other systems of payment, are not related to productivity, but to how much the employer thinks

he can get away with paying. When workers' performance figures are associated with a 33\frac{1}{3} per cent bonus, it means that any production level at all will be translated by the consultant's own special brand of mathematics into a payment level somewhere on this scale. Continued next Wednesday.

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BBC 2

11.00-11.20 a.m. PLAY SCHOOL. 4.30 p.m. WIMBLEDON 1970.

7.30 NEWS and weather.

8.00 MAN ALIVE . 'Black Australians'.

8.50 CANVAS. Personal reflections on paintings. 9.10 SHOW OF THE WEEK. Morecambe on paintings.

10.00 MATCH OF THE DAY. 10.50 'COYOTE COUNTRY'. A year in the life of a coyote in the Teton Mountains in Wyoming.

11.30 NEWS and weather. 11.35 LINE-UP.

2.25 p.m. In search of St Paul. 2.50 A broad look at pop. Peter Taylor talks to Marsha Hunt, Johnny Byrne, Martin Russel, Gerry Snelling, Joe Tilson, John Hopkins and Jim Anderson. 3.50 F troop. 'The Return of Bald Eagle'. 4.17 Tingha and Tucker. 4.30 Crossroads. 4.55 Anything

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9.10 FROST OVER AMERICA. David Frost talks to Peter Ustinov.

10.00 HE WHO DARES 'The Last Blue Mountain'. The story of a

Himalayan mountain climbing expedition.

REGIONAL BBC

you can do. 5.20 Freewheelers. 5.50 News. 6.03 I DREAM OF JEANNIE. 'The Lady in the Bottle'. New series.

6.30 THE SAINT. 'The Paper Chase'.

7.30 CORONATION STREET.

8.00 IT TAKES A THIEF. 'Touch of Magic'.

9.00 TALES OF EDGAR WALLACE. 'Attempt to Kill'. 10.00 NEWS. 10.30 NEAREST AND DEAREST. 11.00 PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING. Sid Cooper v Peter Szakacs and

Big Bruno Elrington v Sean Regan. 11.45 WHAT THE PAPERS SAY. 12 midnight TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE. Lord Mancroft talks to

### Geoffrey Johnson Smith about Professor Arthur Goodhart. REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 4.02 Puffin's birthday greetings. 4.04 Zingalong. 4.25 Open house. 4.55 London. 6.00 News, weather. 6.10 African patrol. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Treasurehunt. 7.30 London. 8.00 Baron. 9.00 Music hall. 10.00 London. 11.40 Epilogue, weather.

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SOUTHERN: 4.00 Houseparty., 4.15 London. 6.00 Day by day. Crime desk. 6.30 Doris Day. 7.00 F troop. 7.30 London. 8.00 Avengers. 9.00 Music hall. 10.00 London. 11.45 News. 11.55 Weather. Action 70.

HARLECH: 3.10-4.10 Showjumping. 4.25 Women today. 4.40 Once upon a time. 4.55 London. 6.01 Report. 6.10 F troop. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Jokers wild. 7.30 London. 8.00 Marcus Welby. 9.00 Department S. 10.00 London.

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GRANADA: 3.45 Encore-university challenge. 4:10 News. Short story. 4:40 Tingha and Tucker. 4:55 London. 6:00 Newsview. 6:10 Octopus. 6:35 Big valley. 7:30 London. 8:00 Baron. 9:00 Music Hall. 10:00 London.

TYNES TEES: 12.55-1.30 Post graduate medicine. 3.10 Showjumping. 4.05 Newsroom. 4.07 Stories of Tuktu. 4.25 Finders seekers. 4.55 London. 6.00 Today at six. 6.30 Brannigan. 7.00 Get Smart. 7.30 London. 8.00 Avengers. 9.00 Music hall. 10.00 London. 10.30 'The Blackboard Revolution.' Documentary about educational methods over the past 100 years. 11.00 London. 11.45 News. 11.57 Epilogue.

BORDER: 4.00 News. 4.02 Houseparty. 4.15 Freud on food. 4.40 Tingha and Tucker. 4.55 London. 6.00 News Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Room 222. 7.30 London. 8.00 Avengers. 9.00 Music hall. 10.00 London. 11.45 News, weether

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agement and unions, Department of Employment and Productivity officials have re-

jected company claims that the 300 strikers—members of the General and Municipal Workers, the Transport and

General Workers, the National Society of Metal Mechanics and the Electrical and Plumb-

lock-out.

its ninth week.

# Dubcek tears new show trial

**REPORTS** from Prague confirm that the Husak wing of the Czech Communist Party leadership is losing its battle to prevent the trial of former secretary Alexander Dubcek and his supporters.

Justifying Dubcek's recent expulsion from the Party, Sunday's 'Rude Pravo' switched the line of attack away from his alleged 'mistakes' and 'opportunism' towards breaches of Czech law.

Editor, Miroslav Moc - a well-known 'hard line' critic of Husak-made the following

charges : 'Violation of the statutes; responsibility for ideological and organizational disruption, for a two-faced policy; ideological capitulation; lack of principles; lack of firmness that permitted disruption of These two documents would then be sent to the United Nations and the mission of political organization of socialist society and caused heavy damage to the national ernment to go along with this plan, Moscow would guarantee the 1967 frontiers of Israel. economy; responsibility for violation of international and allied relations with the Soviet Union and the fraternal communist parties of the socialist countries, for the capitula-

# Double edge

tion to counter-revolutionary

edge. Husak and President

Svoboda were very closely linked with Dubcek from the beginning of 1968 to the Soviet invasion and for several months after.
So a weird debate is de-

veloping in the columns of the Czech Stalinist press. The ultra-Stalinists step up

their charges against Dubcek — a campaign which has forced Husak to endorse his expulsion from the Party and

# This attack has a double

That this new attack marks victory for the ultra-Stalinist forces lined up behind Strougal, Bilak and Indra, is confirmed by a sinister passage from Husak's speech in Brno on Sunday:

'If somebody does not want to observe the laws, if somebody wants to wreck and dis-rupt our socialist system, then he must not be offended. As Gottwald [the old Czech Stalinist leader who staged the frame-up trials of 1952] used to say, "brother or not, come down from the pear tree". The weight of the law will strike the violator of the law and this could not, as a matter of fact, be otherwise.'

BY ROBERT BLACK

sacking from his post as Ambassador to Turkey — while

the 'moderates' make long speeches upholding the honour

and record of Dubcek's for-

Seeking to protect himself from this pressure, Husak bitterly attacked the Dubcek

leadership (of which he was a part) in his speech to the

Central Committee last week-

end.
For the first time, he re-

ferred to a 'bloc of right-wing

opportunist and anti-socialist

forces'-implying that Dubcek

was consciously working with

imperialist-inspired forces for

the restoration of capitalism in Czechoslovakia.

Sinister

mer ally, Husak.

Dubcek himself was re-ported to have confirmed recent stories of his impending trial when he told a doctor treating him in Prague's sanops hospital:

'Their interrogation made me certain that they will try

# Not squabble

The campaign against him is not just a 'liberal'-ultra-Stalinist squabble with Husak trapped in the middle. From Ianuary to the sum-

mer of 1968, Dubcek headed a centrist development inside the Czech party, which in turn reflected in a distorted way a profound working-class move-ment against the Stalinist bureaucracy, which then sent At this point, the Dubcek leadership played a classical

centrist role, and capitulated.

# Resistance

But the movement that him forward — and swept which he bertayed—could not be crushed so easily.

The slander campaign against Dubcek is therefore directed against the aims of the 1968 movement, which at its coredespite the intentions of its leaders-drove on towards the political revolution against the Stalinist bureaucracy and the establishment of genuine workers' democracy in Czechoslovakia.

It is this movement-forced back but not crushed by the Soviet occupation — that we defend in opposing the slandering and framing of Dubcek.

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WAR 'COULD SPREAD' Thailand's foreign minister said yesterday there was a distinct possibility that the war in Cambodia would spill over into his country. Thai border forces had been put on summer,' he said.

the alert. At a press conference, Foreign Minister Thanat Khoman said he did not rule Master Printers and the Newspaper Society for 180,000 provincial employees. out the possibility that his country would eventually send troops to Can iia if the North Vietname and Vietcong did not w. troops and th raw their ituation escalated.

MILK TO GO Price of milk is go ls a pint in the late Mr William Young, of the Scottish Milk ing Board, told produ

LATE NEWS

their Annual General Meeting n Glasgow yesterday. With the upward trend in liquid sales still continuing, there is naturally a hope that it will be possible to overcome consumer resistance to the next increase in price which will put up the cost of a "pinta" to 1s in the late

**NEW PRINT OFFER** Print unions were yesterday considering a new pay offer from the British Federation of

An extra £4 per week for craftsmen and £3 10s for other men in two stages is offeredan increase on their previous offer of 5s and 4s respectively.

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# Servan Schreiber gathers 'centre' force

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

JEAN-JACQUES Servan Schreiber, the millionaire demagogue who crushed the Gaullist candidate at Sunday's by-election at Nancy, in Lorraine, has moved rapidly into his attempt to create a 'third force' in French politics, based on 'Europeanism' and promises of reform.

Before setting off yesterday on a three-day trip through W Germany, where he will meet a series of Social Democrats and industrialists, he sent a cable to the right-wing Socialist Mayor of Marseilles, Gaston Defferre, candidate of the centre in the 1963 Presidential election.

He has joined, like the other deputies of his Radical Socialist Party, Defferre's parliamentary group.

Forty assorted French parliamentarians undertaken to support his campaign for the develop-ment of Nancy and Lor-

For all the 'progressive' crusading with which he surrounds himself, Servan Schreiber cannot disguise his intention to politically isolate the French Communicat Party. munist Party. Although he failed to take

votes from the Communist candidate at Nancy, though he decimated support for two minor socialist candi-dates, he will be able to make inroads into the labour movement, and prepare to sabotage it, in the precise measure that his loud-mouthed demagogy is not opposed with clear socialist policies.

It is the CP's failure to take up the independent interests of the working class that gives political elbow room to Servan-Schreiber and his ilk.

## **STEEL STRIKE TALKS**

UNION officials were meeting representatives of the British Steel Corporation in London last night in an attempt to settle the 16-day-old strike of 2,100 engineers and electricians at the Corporation's Corby, Northants, plant.

THREE WEEKS after Italy's

first regional elections, the centre-left politicians have

reached no agreement on gov-

ernment coalitions at the local

level.
The Unionist Party is torn

between the wish not to dis-

turb the centre-left and the

blandishments of the Com-

In Umbria and Tuscany the

Socialists hold the balance of

power. Lombardi, leader of the left wing, is urging a

coalition with the Communists

there and an offer to join

with the Christian Democrats,

excluding the Social Demo-crats and the Republicans, in

the regions where the political

In effect, this is a formula to end the centre-left.

the relatively small gains and losses at the June 7 elections,

but the force of the working

class building up in support of the general strike called for

With falls in production

being reported from many

sectors of industry, the strike

has been denounced by every

employers' politician in the

country.

La Malfa, leading figure in

the right-wing Liberal Party, has reminded Prime Minister

Rumor of the need to 'make

the trade unions understand

will not allow even a normal

expansion, never mind any

Massive reforms

Yet the unions are demand-

ing massive reforms in health,

housing and transport, to-

gether with tax cuts and curbs

on the prices of basic com-

The rank-and-file are eager to fight for the full demands

and they have forced the Catholic and Social-Demo-

who before the regional elec-

cratic trade union leaders -

possibilities of reform'.

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The decisive factor is not

arithmetic makes it possible.

munist Party.

**ITALY** 

# SLL PUBLIC MEETING-LONDON



Answer the Tories by organizing the working

THE ANSWER to the Tory government is to organize the working class to force it to resign, Gerry Healy, Socialist Labour League national secretary, told an audience of 550 in London's Caxton Hall on Monday night.

'The Tory government must come into head-on collision with the working class. This is unavoidable.

'It must seek to resolve the problems posed by the economic crisis at the expense of the standards of living of the workers,' he added.

Comrade Healy warned that military attacks now launched against the Irish people were a foretaste of what workers could expect in Britain.

'The government is showing its hand now in N Ireland. When the Tories bring Saracens and tanks into the Bogside against the barricades that the persecuted Catholic workers have had to erect, they are also serv-

strike

looms

tions were manoeuvring to

give the government time to

demonstrate 'good faith'—into backing the strike.

opportunistic cajoling of the Stalinists, which is pressing

the Socialist Party to the left

In their search for 'respect-

able' garb the Stalinists have

now condemned Dubcek's ex-

pulsion from the Czechoslovak

Far from taking up any

position in support of the E European working class and

against Stalinism, this change

represents a concession to 'liberalism' and even anti-

communism in Italian 'public

attempt to hold the struggle

of the Italian working class within 'responsible' and parlia-mentary channels even while

their foot down and preparing

employers are putting

This is the obverse of their

and imperils the coalition.

Party.

It is this, far more than the

**Socialists** 

dither as general

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ing notice that if the British working class comes out in protest for true rights, they will do the same thing in Liverpool and London as

#### Basis

The basis for Tory rule, comrade Healy said, was clear:

'The Tories are keeping one foot in Powell's camp and one foot in the camp of the cowardly right- and leftwing trade union leaders.'

The trade union leaders. left', but they always provided themselves with a way out.

Faced with a political attack they would say—'You can't fight the government, you must wait for an opportunity to change it at the General Election'. The Communist Party was

now making a bee-line for the 'Tribune'-ites in an attempt to muster a fakeleft movement with Powell as its likely central target. This would be formed only to draw the fire from the trade union leaders. 'Enoch Powell and this

Tory government can be defeated, but only if the working class is clear on what to do.
'The men who open the

door to let Powell in will be right-wing trade union leaders, and in the vanguard of their propaganda machine will be the "Tribune"-ites and the Stalinists.'



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# Socialist Labour League national secretary G. Healy speaking 'We are not afraid of this Tory government. The old had met in conference recently, he added.

gang are back in Downing St and we are getting ready to deal with them politi-

Comrade Pierre Lambert of the Trotskyist Organization, the French section of the Fourth International, stressed the favourable international situation for building the Trotskyist movement.

In May-June 1968, the French workers had shaken

'They are the first ele-ment in the building of the revolutionary party - the Fourth International—in E Europe.

'The hour has struck for the Fourth International.' Newly - elected assistant national secretary of the Socialist Labour League, for a collection at the meeting, which raised £304 12s 9d.

# RESOLUTION PASSED BY MEETING

THIS MEETING, organized by the Socialist Labour League and the Young Socialists, calls upon the whole labour movement to act in solidarity, as a vitally urgent duty, with the working class of N Ireland against the occupying British troops, the Chichester-Clark Tory Unionist government, and the Tories at Westminster.

Six deaths and hundreds of serious casualties have already resulted from the actions of 11,000 British troops, who have been given orders to shoot on sight.

Maudling has sent 3,500 reinforcements. These troops are there to impose 'law and order' in the same way the Tories intend to impose it on the British working class. They are using the religious divisions in N Ireland in the

same way that they hope to use racialism in Britain. The fight for solidarity with the workers of N Ireland and for the withdrawal of British troops is an essential part of the struggle to defeat the Tories. We demand: ■ Release Bernadette Devlin now! She is in jail only because she rightly fought against the Unionist regime. Her imprison-

ment is a brutal attack by the ruling class of N Ireland and Britain against all those who want to fight the Tory enemy. Release all political prisoners in N Ireland and repeal the

Release Frank Keane from Brixton prison immediately, and reject any extradition order from the Dublin police. Demand the release of all political prisoners in Eire. Stop immediately the army, police and Ulster Defence Regiment attacks on workers of N Ireland. Immediate with-

drawal of all British troops capitalism to its foundations, Comrade Lambert said. 'It was not the fault of the French workers that they did not achieve victory. The movement of the working class was dislocated by the traditional leaderships and by the centrist and revisionist groups which played on the illusions of the youth.'

The present Chaban-Delmas government appeared stable he added, but in reality the movement of the working class threatened more and more openly the Stalinist and Social-Democratic bureaucracies which propped up the regime.

In E Europe, comrade Lambert pointed out, working-class forces were organizing for revolution. 'They are organizing to fight the Stalinist bureau-

cracy, which has once more welcomed the rise to power of Toryism in Britain,' he said.

In the USSR itself a new communist opposition was developing.

'It is finding links with Lenin and Trotsky; it has refused to capitulate despite persecution,' comrade Lambert said.

Communist and Trotskyist militants from E Europe

considered sacked. The officials pointed out that 21 days' notice of strike action had been given and that all the unions involved are paying out strike benefit. Directors' pay Strikers' militancy has not George Halliday, of the NSMM informed a recent mass meeting that the salary

of the company's highest-paid director had been raised from £6,971 to £7,863 a year in the two years 1967-1969. Although the company deny the figures he went on to say that in the same period the that in the same period the company had cut the wages bill from £357,320—an average of £940 for each of the 380 men at the mill—to £345,183—£865 for the 395 employees. Company trading profits had increased from £167,722

had increased from £167,722 in 1969 to £212,801 in 1970. The directors' combined salaries, Halliday claimed, had risen from £24,393 in 1967-1968 to £33,561 in 1968-1969.

#### First dispute

In Exeter, the light en-gineering firm of Hardings is experiencing its first dispute. The men, who came out just over a week ago, before their annual holiday, are demanding 'a decent wage' and have returned to work pending negotiations.

The two main unions involved — the AEF and the T&GWU — have turned down all management offers to date. The company claims that it is making no profit and its only real offer has been heavily resisted by employees. It has threatened closure.

On the same trading estate, workers at Willey's iron foundry were locked out last Friday evening because they refused to work to management's terms.

# **Scabbing**

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strikers was played by the scab shipments from the Polish Stalinists. The same Polish govern

ment sent scab coal to Spain and aided Franco to break the Asturian miners strike earlier this year. Gollan and Matthews have not the slightest excuse for remaining silent on this vital issue

of international workingclass solidarity.
Communist Party members must demand that they immediately denounce the Polish Pinkertons or admit that they support them.

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