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At the end of a three-day private meeting between the two sides at Plymouth yesterday, the unions, headed by the NUT, made it clear that before any new matters concerning a new Minister Thatcher.

The Marines are mounting a round-the-clock vigil at Winfield House in Regent's Park, where Reagan and his wife are staying. And armed secret servicemen accompany him wherever he goes, including Thatcher's own residence.

The Reagan entourage were authorised to carry weapons — officially only two handguns, but in fact an arsenal including automatic weapons — under arrangements which have apparently operated under both Labour and Tory governments.

The details of the President's armed guard were finalised by Home Secretary Leon Brittan only hours before the Presidential party arrived on Monday.

Thatcher had already organised a blanket security operation including hundreds of armed police, specially trained marksmen and SAS killers.

Snipers

As Reagan and Thatcher began their talks in Downing Street last night police were deployed in every doorway down Whitehall and the rooftops were occupied by snipers.

Thatcher insisted in the Commons that no precedent had been broken by the move, described by Labour's Gerald Kaufman as 'an insult' to the British police.

She implied that the precedents had been set under previous governments.

Downing Street sources said the previous instances in which foreign

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THE PRESIDENTS of America

entourage for President Reagan



By JOHN SPENCER, our political correspondent

bodyguards had carried arms had not been made public — and made it clear they felt it should have been kept secret this time too.

On previous occasions, according to the account given by former Metropolitan Police Commissioner Sir Robert Mark, the authorities told a straightforward lie, denying that the bodyguards were armed.

Mark said: 'I am sure they have been armed before. My understanding

has always been that the head of Special Branch confers with the assistant commissioner, crime, and together they talk to the commissioner.

'Then they go to the Home Office at a very high level, and they work out a gentleman's agreement.

'Nothing is said publicly and the official line is always that no visiting people carry guns.

'But I am pretty sure that this will not be the

first time that the Americans have armed their own people in London.'

A former Scotland Yard assistant commissioner, Sir Colin Woods, confirmed this account, saying: 'Officially the Americans park their guns, but no-one reaches high office without learning to bend the rules, do they?'

'But the Americans are very reluctant to leave their guns at home. They seem to feel undressed without them.

'What we try to explain to them is that if someone

has to be shot in London, it's far better if it's done by a British policeman than a visiting American.'

Thatcher told MPs: 'The government is, of course, ultimately responsible for the security of visiting statesmen in London.' Decisions on armed bodyguards were taken 'after full consideration and in the light of all the circumstances'.

Security

Less than a week ago, Scotland Yard deputy assistant commissioner Robert Innes, who has overall responsibility for security at the London summit, insisted that none of the bodyguards would be authorised to carry guns.

Asked what would happen if the US gunmen shot anyone, a Home Office spokeswoman said they would be subject to the law of the land in the same way as the British police.

It would be for the courts to decide whether the use of the guns constituted reasonable force under the terms of the Criminal Law Act.

In the light of the Stephen Waldorf case, where police were acquitted after the unprovoked shooting of an innocent man, this amounts to a licence to kill.

Pickets overturn police van

OVER 2,000 miners picketing Cresswell colliery in Nottinghamshire retaliated to police attacks yesterday by overturning a police van.

A total of 28 miners were arrested at Cresswell, and a further eight were arrested at Rufford colliery in Nottinghamshire.

In Ramsgate, 11 miners were arrested and one knocked unconscious as pickets attempted to stop the unloading of blacked oil destined for the Richborough power station.

A spokesman for the Kent NUM said later: 'We are not going to give up. We are going to try and stop the oil

coming in.'

In the Midlands, police sealed off a street with squad cars at dawn to stop three coachloads of Durham miners seven miles away from pits they intended to picket.

Police told the drivers they would be arrested if they tried to continue their journey. Later, the miners were ferried to the pits by local men on strike.

The police action, which took place at Hanley, near Stoke-on-Trent, was condemned by John Dixon, a spokesman for the miners, who said:

'There was absolutely no trouble on the buses. We

are all law-abiding citizens who just want to join in peaceful pickets to urge other miners to give us 100-per-cent support.'

He said it would be a long time before miners would respect the police again after such intimidation.

In Northumberland, striking miners occupied the Coal Board offices in protest at COSA overmen crossing picket lines.

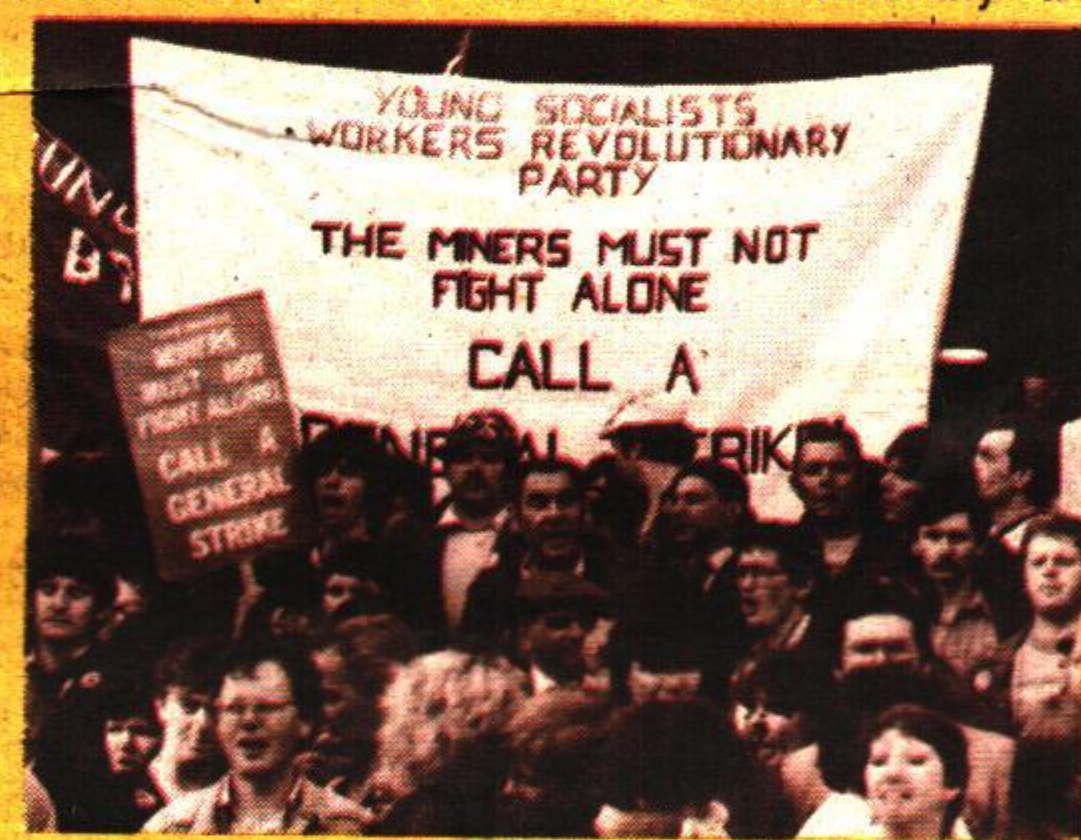
Northumberland NUM president Denis Murphy said about 200 COSA members had been drawing money for little work while his members were on picket lines. He urged them to respect the picket lines.

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Beware secret pit talks trap

COMMENT

EACH DAY that has elapsed since the secret talks between miners' leaders and Coal Board officials opened last Thursday strengthens the view that the talks are a trap.

The Tory press and media are deliberately burying the speeches of NUM president Arthur Scargill, who has repeated at every mass meeting since the talks opened that there could be no deal without the withdrawal of the Coal Board's closure programme.

This is consciously intended to weaken the strike by depriving union members of news of their leader and his firm position.

The Tory press coverage is pre-selected to play down the strike in the hope of demoralising miners and their families.

For example, the press made great play yesterday of the police escort for two working winders at Houghton Main colliery — though during the day pickets were attacked by police at Cresswell colliery, while in Staffordshire, drivers of a bus carrying miners were threatened with arrest if they drove further.

In Ramsgate, one Kent miner was knocked unconscious during a crush with police who attacked miners trying to prevent the delivery of blacked oil at the harbour.

Not only does picketing continue, but there are moves afoot to bring further physical help to the miners. This is also studiously ignored by the capitalist press in order to give the miners the impression that they are isolated from the rest of the workers' movement.

The call by dockers' leaders for an all-out strike to support the miners has been deliberately overlooked, as has the promise by rail union leader Jim Knapp to take action against oil supplies to power stations if the talks break down.

Little has been said of tomorrow's mass lobby of parliament, or the meeting planned between Arthur Scargill and T&GWU transport union executive members to discuss the escalation of solidarity action.

Further evidence of a carefully-prepared trick to break the union's courageous fight lies in the totally uncompromising position spelt out by Thatcher, MacGregor, and Energy Secretary Walker since Thursday.

While the press repeats talk of 'light at the end of the tunnel' etc. in large print, the leading representatives of the Tory government and the Coal Board have said categorically that 'uneconomic' pits will be shut down.

Walker, in his article in the 'News of the World' (3.6.84) added further that this inevitably meant redundancies, and that there could not even be a compromise on the level of production — which he insisted was cut below 100 million tonnes a year.

The police attacks continue unabated, and Kent NUM president Malcolm Pitt remains in jail. Police spies and narks are running loose through mining communities, and miners are still being arrested in large numbers and being charged with class law offences as serious as conspiracy and riot.

We repeat: There is no evidence here of a compromise by the Tories, because the reality of the situation is that there is no compromise.

Champion Noah gets in before storms



From Matthew Nugent at Stade Roland Garros, Paris

JUST when we thought it was safe to take off the plastic macs at Roland Garros yesterday afternoon, the Parisians' answer to 'Jaws' struck again. Rain by the bucketload poured down on the stadium.

So, for the fifth day in succession, the French Open tennis championships were thrown into disarray — but not until six of the day's seven major clashes had been completed on centre and No.1 court.

Defending champion Yannick Noah delighted his French compatriots by reaching the last eight with an encouraging 3-6, 6-2, 7-6, 7-6 victory over Hungary's Balazs Taroczy in the opening encounter on centre court.

The favourite for the women's singles title, Martina Navratilova, followed him on to court and dispatched Kathy Horvath with consummate ease, 6-4, 6-2.

Then it was John McEnroe's turn. Seeded No.1, the New Yorker once again showed why

Mats Wilander who advanced past Spain's Juan Aguilera, 6-2, 6-1, 6-3.

Defending women's champion, Chris Evert Lloyd, won her battle with Canada's Carling Bassett — despite dropping a set, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.

There cannot have been too much for the British press to write home about last night after McEnroe's straight-set victory over fellow-American Arias. They could have got it all on the back of a picture post card, one supposes!

McEnroe waltzed through the first two sets and when Arias broke serve in the third to take a 3-1 lead, he received a spontaneous burst of applause from the packed centre court.

They had been hoping to award his efforts with such a burst of Gallic passion all afternoon.

But with McEnroe play-

in a grand slam tournament.

The tall, black American now meets Evert Lloyd — and that is one clash the defending women's champion was hoping to avoid.

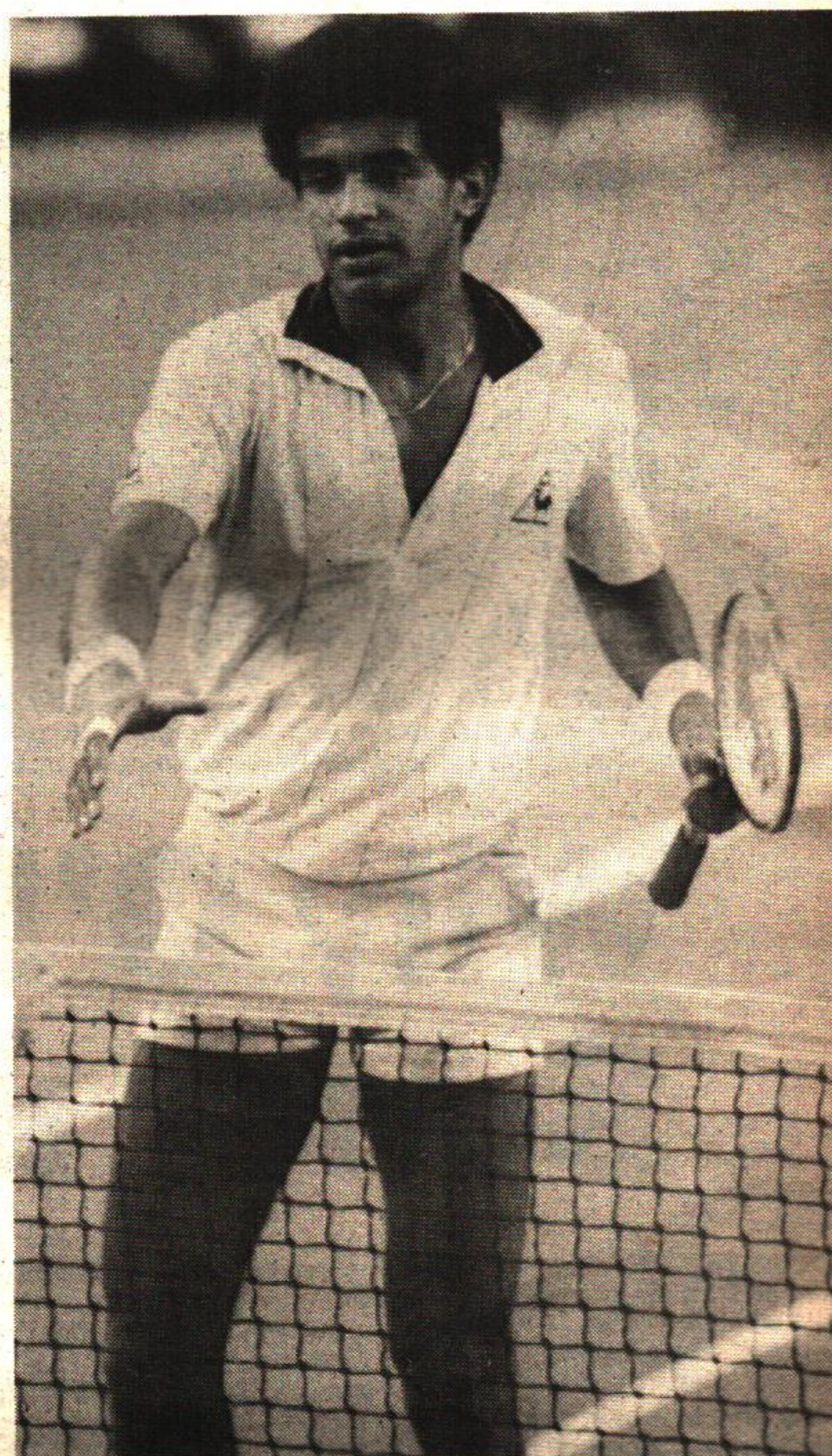
Lloyd believes that Benjamin's unorthodox style of play, her ability to run down the ball, and great reach across court, can cause anybody problems here in Paris.

Lloyd moved a step closer to record sixth French title when she dispatched the young Canadian Bassett — but she didn't have it all her own way.

'Carling played extremely well in the first set — but then seemed to fade,' Lloyd said after her victory.

Trouble

'She was hitting the ball so well, moving around the court and coming in



YANNICK NOAH... Pleased the Parisians

Consultant denies blood plot

A LEADING consultant denied yesterday that he had any connection with a plot in which blood was stolen from the National Heart hospital and sold for £158,000.

Dr Mark Patterson told an Old Bailey jury he did not know that employees at the hospital had separated plasma from the blood and sold it to a Danish firm.

'I had no knowledge of that during the time it was happening, I never authorised it nor took part in it,' he said.

He added that cheques

he gave to other people were not connected with stolen blood — they were payments for cover in his private practice.

Dr Patterson, 50, of St John's Wood, is accused with four other men of plotting to steal blood from the hospital between October 1977 and October 1981.



The press conference called by the T&GWU farmworkers yesterday. Left to right: Judith Cook, Norma Fieldler, Chris Kaufman, Dr Alistair Campbell and Jack Boddy

245-T agony death

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

He worked with the chemical for five years of apprenticeship, during which time he mixed the lethal chemical for backpack sprays, which he also operated.

Scandal

The press conference was called by the Agricultural and Allied Workers of the Transport and General Workers Union (T&GWU) to launch a report entitled 'How Many More?'

T&GWU officials said it was a 'national scandal' the Tories had not banned the defoliant.

Dr Alistair Campbell, a

SIMON FIELDLER was 24 when he died of cancer three years ago, contracted from the weedkiller 245-T, a constituent of the lethal defoliant 'Agent Orange' used to devastatingly savage effects by US imperialism in the Vietnam war.

His mother, Norma Fieldler, told at a London press conference of how her son had suffered 'acne spots' on his hands, headaches, difficulty in focussing and breathing for two years before he died an agonising death.

Consultants described Fieldler's disease as a 'rare form of cancer' and the Ministry of Agriculture advised him 245-T could not cause cancer and was 'harmless' when he made an inquiry.

research chemist who used formulations of 245-T and until now an anonymous 'Mr C', of Mersy-side, told in the T&GWU questionnaire how he developed an inflamed patch on his lung that had lasted six months.

The defoliant 245-T contains the toxic contaminant dioxin and has been linked to countless birth deformities among children born to Vietnam veterans, cancer, skin diseases, liver damage and miscarriages.

Millions of amateur gardeners and workers suffered these toxic effects because 245-T was still legally used as a common weedkiller in Britain, T&GWU national secretary Jack Boddy said.

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£8,002.34 — just over the target! At last our May Fund is complete. Many thanks for a great last-minute effort. Now let's about turn and begin the campaign to raise our June Fund at once.

Join us in the fight to keep the News Line out in front. Our Fund is vital for this purpose and is needed to maintain our paper each day.

Particularly today, with the major confrontation between the miners and the government, and more and more sections of workers joining the fight — the issue is an all-out showdown with Thatcher.

The call for the TUC to take action and organise a General Strike becomes the urgent issue of the day.

The News Line is decisive for taking this struggle out into the working class and rallying support everywhere.

So, please don't relax back for a moment. Go into action immediately and begin the campaign to raise our June Fund without delay. Post your donations to:

The News Line June Appeal Fund
21B Old Town, Clapham, SW4 0JT.

Longbridge strike spreads

THE effects of the BL Longbridge car workers' strike spread yesterday when thousands of workers on the Maestro and Montego lines at Cowley were laid-off.

A total of 10,000 workers have now been laid-off in the dispute.

Talks over the strike of 300 transport workers at Longbridge defending a black worker sacked after hitting a foreman continued yesterday, but there was no sign of a settlement by the evening.

BL management announced during the day that the foreman involved had been verbally disciplined for swearing at Zedekiah Mills, the worker who was sacked.

The unions are demanding the reinstatement of Mills, who claims he was racially abused by the foreman and provoked into a fight.

But management have so far refused to consider the reinstatement, despite the second day of halted production on the Mini, Ital, Metro, and Acclaim lines at Longbridge, and one day without production at Cowley.

THOUSANDS of Vauxhall car workers in Luton, facing lay-offs because of the West German metal workers' strike, were given a week's reprieve yesterday. The unions have now been told there are sufficient parts to allow production of Cavalier and Astra cars to continue until June 15.

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At the end of a three-day private meeting between the two sides at Plymouth yesterday, the unions, headed by the NUT, made it clear that before any new matters concerning a new package can be discussed authorities must say what salary levels they will pay.

The talks are separate from the current dispute over the employers' refusal to improve on their 45 per cent offer or allow the dispute to go to arbitration.

But a spokesman for the NUT said the employers were trying to use the pay-structure talks as 'a carrot' to get teachers to accept the 4.5 per cent offer and that teachers were not willing to give up their fight in return for 'jam tomorrow'.

NUT acting general secretary Doug McAvoys said: 'The teachers' side is anxious for the talks to continue, but we have demanded a clear indication from the employers of the sort of salary levels they would be willing to attach to the new structure.'

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Delegates at the Post Office Engineering Union conference voted to throw out a pay offer by management and to take industrial action if no new offer was made, after a recommendation by the national executive.

Management has offered between 3 per cent and 4.7 per cent to workers in British Telecom, the Post Office and National Giro Bank.

The POEU wants 8 per cent from July 1, a share of benefits from improved productivity, a shorter working week and more holidays.

The resolution called the offers 'inadequate', and authorised the NEC to continue negotiations in all three sections, and to 'undertake a programme of industrial action in support of the union's 1984 pay claims as necessary'.

Voted

Delegates also voted for co-ordinated action with the 198,000-strong Union of Communication Workers, which is already taking action.

Motions of censure against the national executive over last year's industrial action were narrowly defeated.

One of the motions condemned the conditions agreed on by the union leadership when BT International workers returned to work.

It said the agreement had 'substantially reduced the conditions of

SEAMEN will lobby their union headquarters in south London today to demand all-out action on British operated ferries in support of striking seamen in Felixstowe. The strike began over two weeks ago when three seamen were suspended, and all 700 men on strike at the port have demanded national action in their defence.

Thatcher defends links with racists

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

PRIME Minister Thatcher has lined up with the South African apartheid regime in calling for the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola.

She stressed the strategic importance of ties with the racist regime during stormy scenes in the Commons over the visit of chief racist P.W. Botha.

'The overwhelming majority of British people like their freedoms in this country well and truly defended and strategic interest does mean something,' she said.

She admitted that Botha treated with con-

tempt her attempts to raise the case of Nelson Mandela, the imprisoned leader of the African National Congress.

Closure

And she also revealed that Botha had demanded the closure of the ANC offices in London.

Thatcher said: 'I made it clear that we cannot possibly close down offices such as the ANC and the PLO unless anyone there contravenes the law.'

Her comments were heard against continual Labour taunts of 'fascist' across the chamber, and at one stage a Tory counter-demonstration in which more than 20 MPs walked out during Labour leader Kinnock's critical contribution.

Home affairs spokesman Gerald Kaufman called one Tory MP a fascist. The MP, Ukrainian emigre Stefan Terlezki (Cardiff), protested and the Speaker ordered Kaufman to withdraw.

The word was later de-

clared 'unparliamentary' and its use in future banned.

Kinnock said the talks had given 'enormous satisfaction to South Africa and the friends of apartheid, and grave offence to millions of people in Britain'.

Process

Thatcher said: 'My talks with Mr Botha are part of the process through which we and other western and African countries must continue to press for the sort of changes we all want to see in southern Africa.'



Postal action spreads

ABOUT one in seven of London's 11,000 post boxes were out of action yesterday as postmen continued industrial action in support of a pay claim.

The Union of Communication Workers resumed talks with management over a 5.2 per cent claim and a cut of three hours in the working week.

Negotiators have rejected a 4.5 per cent offer with productivity strings.

Outside London, a total of 400 post boxes in High Wycombe and Luton were sealed and there were no deliveries.

Data Post and Royal Mail special delivery services have been suspended since the weekend.

The government has broken the Post Office monopoly on collecting and delivering mail for the Euro elections to get round UCW industrial action.

Returning officers for the elections will be able to employ direct mail companies or local agencies to collect and deliver letters.

Postal workers at Borough sorting office in south London came out on strike yesterday and picketed the building (pictured above). The workers refused to go into work after being instructed to sign 'normal working' assurances by management.

Summit puts inflation first

By JOHN SPENCER, our political correspondent

THE PRESIDENTS of four Latin American governments who wrote jointly earlier this week to the seven-nation London economic summit should not expect a reply.

Top civil service sources said no letter from the presidents of Colombia, Brazil, Mexico and Argentina had been received in Downing Street, though the debt problem would certainly be discussed there.

But the sources made clear that no new initiative can be expected from the summit on the debt crisis. Instead the main emphasis will continue to be on the need to maintain downward pressure on inflation.

This involves imposing still more stringent austerity on the debtor

countries as well as the working class in the metropolitan centres.

One leading government adviser said: 'It would be a complete mistake to expect dramatic new ideas and global solutions.'

Discussion

The matter had been under continuous discussion by finance ministers over the last 18 months.

During the summit they would be taking stock and looking at ways to take forward the existing general approach.

This meant looking at

selves as they do to each debtor country's problem separately.

Decisions

'Each debtor country has then to be taking the necessary decisions about its own economic management.'

Howe said he would be 'very wary' about any collective attempt by the IMF or World Bank to limit the interest rate levels on Third World debt.

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DOORS OPEN 12 NOON

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SATURDAY JULY 21
Lime Court Day Centre
Broadwalk, Salford Precinct
DOORS OPEN 12 NOON

LEICESTER

SATURDAY JULY 28
Northfield Heights Community Centre
Brighton Road
DOORS OPEN 12 NOON

WORLD
SUMMARYUruguay
mass
protest

MONTEVIDEO — Opposition leaders are planning a mass protest for June 16, the date that exiled veteran leader Wilson Ferreira Aldunate will defy his exile order and return home from Argentina. The government yesterday announced it will arrest Aldunate on arrival.

Boycott

WARSAW — The banned Solidarity free trade union is expecting widespread support for its call to boycott elections to local councils in Poland on June 17 despite government opposition.

Shots

GRENADA — Several shots were fired on the home of Kendrick Radix early yesterday. He is forming a new party for elections later this year and has pledged to perpetuate the principles of the New Jewel Movement, founded by the assassinated Prime Minister Maurice Bishop.

Federation

NEW YORK — United Nations secretary general Peres de Cuellar has urged Greek and Turkish Cypriots to form a federal state as swiftly as possible, although he said he could not report any progress after his recent visit.

Pact

WASHINGTON — Chrysler and Japan's Mitsubishi motor corporation are rumoured to be close to agreement on a plan to build 100,000 small cars a year in the United States.

World News Line

ECUADOR SUSPENDS
DEBT REPAYMENTS

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

QUITO — The government of Ecuador has followed Bolivia's recent lead by suspending all capital and interest repayments on \$247 million of foreign debt in the midst of negotiations to reschedule another \$270 million package.

Finance Minister Pedro Pinto, in an attempt to defuse the shock to imperialist bankers, said yesterday the suspension was not unilateral and that the Paris Club of Western creditor banks had been kept informed.

The announcement immediately pushed down the dollar on the New York money markets although bankers said

Ecuador had not imposed a moratorium but was 'merely seeking an extension' to repayments.

Pinto said the loans, falling due between June 1 and the end of next year were held by both government and business.

Loans

Ecuador is the second Latin American country to take such action, after Bolivia which suspended for four years repayments on \$4.4 billion worth of loans to foreign banks on May 31.

Bolivian President Hernan Siles Zuazo took the action after the Workers Confederation (COB) issued an ultimatum to

either suspend the repayments to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) or face a stepping up of months-long industrial action.

The default sent panic waves through the world financial markets, especially among imperialist bankers in the United States, where 120 banks were involved directly in \$1 billion worth of loans.

The suspension by Ecuador follows the rescheduling earlier this year of \$353 million of government debts due for payment this year.

Deputy Finance Minister Diego Sanchez, who made the first statement on the suspension, said the Ecuadorian government had asked the Paris

Club of Western creditor nations for seven years to repay the \$247 million, with a three-year grace.

Sanchez said the government intended fulfilling all its legal obligations and that they had asked for similar conditions to an agreement with the Paris Club to reschedule loans falling due up to May 31.

Difficult

Debt-ridden Ecuador, which like most Latin American countries has found it difficult to repay loans because of its poor economic position, owes the foreign banks \$6.7 billion.

Its action, so soon after Bolivia's, indicates not only the extent of the Latin American debt cri-

sis but points the way to imminent unilateral suspensions of loan repayments by the several other beleaguered countries.

The \$279 million Ecuador was trying to have rescheduled is conditional on an agreement between the IMF and the newly-elected Leon Febres Cordero government, which takes office on August 10.

Hours after Pinto and Sanchez had made their cautious statements, the Central Bank said in a communique Ecuador had not suspended repayments of its foreign debt and 'would continue to act on the matter in conformity with terms agreed with foreign banks and financial institutions'.

Hawke's
plan will
decimate
car jobs

SYDNEY — A 'free enterprise' motor manufacturing plan unveiled by the Hawke Labour government last week will decimate jobs and reduce it to a skeleton industry.

The \$3.2 billion a year industry that employs more than 150,000 workers 'must not become a social welfare system', according to Commerce and Industry Minister John Button.

Australian carmakers prospered for a brief two decades in the boom years of the 1950s and 60s, when the 1944 Bretton Woods agreement was in full swing.

The imperialist bankers poured in artificial credits and drove up production but the boom began to go bust when President Nixon cut the gold guarantee from the dollar in August 1971.

The oil price spiral that followed shook the industry to its roots and British Leyland (BL) and General Motors-Holden (GM-H) were the first off the rank with sackings and plant shutdowns.

Prime Minister Hawke's decision to phase out the \$1 billion worth of subsidies and abolish restrictive import quotas 1992 will either reduce the five carmakers, GM-H, Ford, Chrysler, Toyota, Nissan and Mitsubishi, to assemblers or sales and service operators.

Duty

A 57.2 per cent import duty on cars is window dressing, for the 'world car' arrangement among Japan, Brazil, Australia and the major European centres specifically exempts tax on imported engines, parts and bodies and has placed the emphasis on assembly as opposed to manufacturing of components and engines.

The decision to order the manufacturers to cut down from 13 to below six models means the decimation of the major component factories in Sydney and the industrial heartland of Melbourne's Geelong, Broadmeadows and Fishermans Bend.

Hawke has told the ACTU, of which he was President for six years, the decision is not negotiable, either by employers or the trade unions.

A corporatist Automotive Industry Authority (AIA) will be set up to oversee the 'restructuring'.

The Vehicle Builders Union (VBU) in New South Wales (NSW) has described the proposal as a 'disaster'.

Court backing for lock outs

STUTTGART — An appeals court yesterday ruled that employers had the right to lock out thousands of carworkers fighting for a 35-hour week, overturning a Hessen lower court ruling that such action was against the state's laws.

The ruling applies immediately to 26,000 Frankfurt workers, affiliated to the Deutscher Gewerkschafts Bund (West German TUC), who were locked out two weeks ago because of the IG Metall carworkers' strike, now into its fourth week.

It boosts a call by Gesamtmetall, the metal

industry employers' association, to step up lock-outs to force the IG Metall leadership to accept that they will not negotiate on reducing the 40-hour week.

Hundreds of striking Stuttgart carworkers demonstrated outside a resumed meeting yesterday between the employers and union leaders, to demand that their leadership called a general strike.

The West German car industry has been paralysed and, of the major carmakers, only Ford was reported to be working normally.

Gesamtmetall president Wolfram Thiele asserted a general reduction of weekly working hours was 'the wrong way for us. We will not take that road.'

Gesamtmetall managing-director Dieter Kirchner said: 'Not one of us will sign an agreement which means only the most minimal step to a general reduction of weekly working time, even if the strike lasts another couple of weeks.'

The union leaders, fighting to reassure the employers they were prepared to re-open negotiations that broke down last week, called off the occupation of a Stuttgart factory on Wednesday last week and declared it a 'symbolic action'.

The leadership of IG Druck und Papier (DUPA) print union, whose members have been the main supporters of IG Metall, agreed to arbitration under the chairmanship of Kurt Biedenkopf, former general secretary of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and manager of the giant Henkel washing powder manufacturer.



Trade unionists at the historic Bonn rally on May 28: the placard says 'Hold out — more than five hours is at stake.' Electrician Paul van Bebber (with glasses) said: 'What's at stake is to prevent them destroying the unions'

Mercenaries killed in raid

MANAGUA — At least 50 US-backed mercenaries were killed in an unsuccessful attempt to take the northern Nicaraguan town of Ocotol, government officials said yesterday.

The attack, made by approximately 600 of the

CIA-organised mercenaries, was the first major assault on a regional capital. Ocotol, with a population of about 16,000, is the capital of Nueva Segovia province.

The government officials said that 10 Nicaraguan soldiers defending

the Sandinista revolution were killed in the fighting.

They added that the government-run Radio Segovia was partially destroyed, but has since resumed broadcasts.

The assault was timed to coincide with a flying

visit to Nicaragua by US Secretary of State George Schultz over the weekend. The attack was intended to put pressure on the Managua government to accept US demands for the restoration of US capitalist interests in the country.

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THOUSANDS CONVERGE ON SIKH HOLY CITY

NEW DELHI — Thousands of peasants and rural workers converged on the Sikh holy city of Amritsar as shooting resumed at the Golden Temple and three other Sikh shrines in Punjab yesterday.

Houses were set ablaze and random shootings were reported in several parts of the state as Punjab defied the statewide clamp on transport, a news blackout and military fire to march on Amritsar.

The military responded by extending a round-the-clock curfew until a review last night and ordered widespread arrests in the rural areas, while the besieged militants appealed for reinforcements over loudhailers.

Punjab is sealed off from neighbouring Rajasthan, Haryana, Jammu and Kashmir and telex and telephone services were cut, in the most repressive measures since Prime Minister Indira Gandhi imposed a national emergency in 1975.

New Delhi home service radio reported full support for Gandhi's martial law decree from all opposition parties, including the Communist Party of India and the Communist Party of India-M (Maoist).

The radio said: 'The politburo of the CPI-M has appealed to the Akali Dal (the main Sikh political party) to respond to the Prime Minister's call for resumption of talks with the centre to solve the Punjab tangle.'

'It noted that the Akali Dal's failure to denounce violent activities of the extremists and the use of Sikh temples for sheltering criminals made them

BY A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

lose the goodwill and support of all democratic sections of the people.

'The Punjab unit of the CPI welcomed Mrs Gandhi's appeal to the Alalis (militants) and said it is a positive step.

'At its meeting in Chandigarh, it urged the Akali Dal to call of the agitation, keeping in view the situation in the state.'

State-owned Press Trust of India (PTI) said troops baton-charged about 4,000 marchers in the city.

Battle

At one stage, the army and besieged Sikh militants inside the temple fought a five-hour gun battle, during which the militants hurled grenades at the troops.

The sand-bagged and occupied high-rise buildings around the sprawling grounds surrounded by a moat did not daunt the fighters within the temple.

Reports reaching New Delhi said the army had cut off all water and power supplies to at least 15 major Sikh shrines, apparently in preparation for a long siege.

Chemical war

BANGKOK — The Kampuchean government yesterday accused Thailand of using chemical warfare against its civilians near their common border.

'Shells containing noxious chemicals were fired by Thai forces on the area of Hill 954, affecting many civilians,' the official Kampuchean newsagency SPK, monitored in Bangkok, said.

Hill 954 is in Pursat province.

A Thai military spokes-

man denied the charge but SPK said Thai reconnaissance aircraft had intruded into Kampuchean airspace 23 times and Thai boats had violated Kampuchean territorial waters 288 times in the week ended May 31.

SPK said Kampuchean forces had killed, captured or wounded 181 Peking-backed counter-revolutionaries fighting to overthrow the Vietnam-supported Heng Samrin regime in Phnom Penh.

Agent Orange suit dismissed

NEW YORK — A federal judge yesterday dismissed an Agent Orange suit against three government agencies by lawyers representing 18,000 Vietnam veterans.

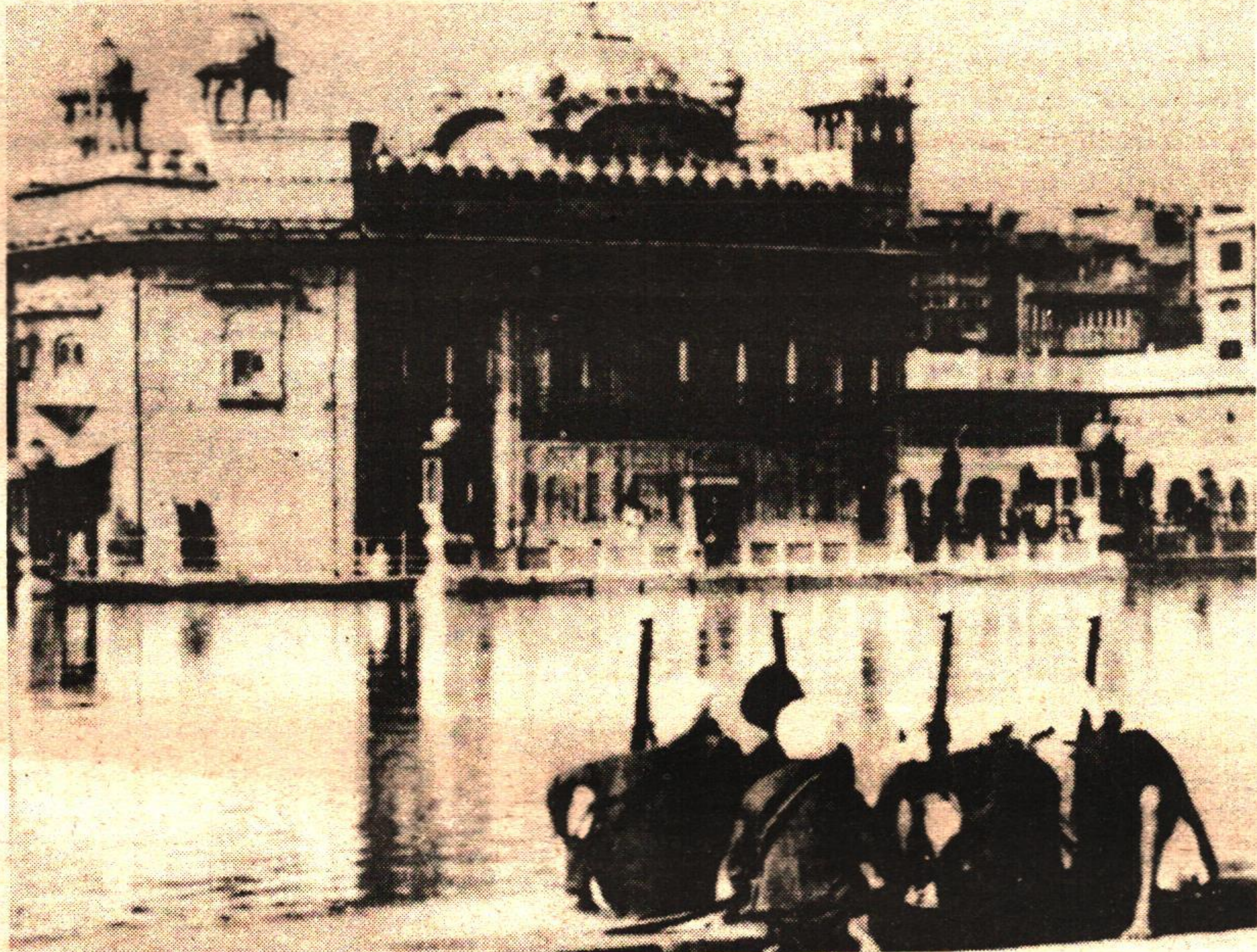
The lawyer, Victor Yannacone, was seeking government guarantees that victims would be treated humanely and that future chemical weapons would be properly tested.

The veterans were dissatisfied with a May 7 settlement in which seven chemical companies that

manufactured the lethal defoliant agreed to pay a total of \$180 million to those claiming compensation.

District Court Judge Jack Weinstein said the issues in the latest suit had been dismissed by a judge in April 1982.

The government was ruled out as a defendant at that time because members of the armed services are deemed unable to sue the government for injuries suffered as a result of military service.



The Golden Temple at Amritsar

Israelis cut Beirut oil supply

BEIRUT — The Israeli army cut off oil supplies to Beirut's main power station yesterday, as discussion on the ending of the Zionist regime's occupation of the south began in the Lebanese parliament.

Parliament reconvened to discuss a Syrian-sponsored plan for the freeing of the south from occupation.

But the parliamentary debate was held under the shadow of early government announcements that all oil traffic from the southern refinery at Zaharani had been halted by the Israeli army.

Blockade

Lebanese Labour and Education minister Selim Hoss said the blockade was meant to punish the Beirut government for its opposition to the Israeli occupation.

The fuel stoppage would have serious consequences if it continued, he added. Beirut is already rationed to 18 hours of electricity a day because of damaged lines and other problems caused by recent fighting.

Beirut's main power station, 18 miles to the south at Jiyeh, is also in the hands of right-wing militias sympathetic to Israel, further endangering electricity supplies.

The Israeli provocation followed overnight fighting between Moslem and right-wing militias in the capital.

On Monday, a one-day general strike was called by Shi'ite leader Nabih

Berri as part of a 'Day of Anger' to mark the second anniversary of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in 1982.

Villages and towns throughout the country, including the Israeli-occupied south. And in the northern Bekaa, thousands joined marches and demonstrations in the towns of Baalbeck and Satoura.

The Israeli occupation is reviled by the Shi'ite majority in the south of Lebanon, and the Zionist troops face daily attacks

from local villagers.

Israeli troops continue to seal off villages, make mass arrests, bulldoze farmland, and respond to attacks by firing indiscriminately in all directions, wounding and killing bystanders and children.

Since the invasion began, 584 Israeli soldiers have been killed and 3,500 wounded, bringing increasing pressure on the Israeli government to withdraw troops.

But the Israeli military command are still

attempting to create a pro-Israeli force of mercenaries and Falangist right-wing gunmen to police the south in the interests of the Zionist regime.

So far, they have only succeeded in gathering about 1,500 gunmen around Antoine Lahd, a former Lebanese army general. The Israeli high command have said the force must be at least 8,000 or more before they would consider withdrawing the army.

Illegal strike in Peru

LIMA — Civil servants started an illegal strike of indefinite duration yesterday, the biggest in Peru's history.

They are demanding higher pay and have closed down 11 of Peru's 14 ministries and all municipal offices, public hospitals and state universities.

Raul Caballero, secretary-general of the government workers' union said: 'It will be the biggest civil servants' strike in Peru's history.'

President Fernando Belaunde Terry has declared the strike illegal and has denounced the civil servants for jeopardising talks in Paris over Peru's foreign debt crisis.

There is strong support for the demand for a 150 per cent rise in pay. The standard of living of government workers has fallen to barely one-third of the 1978 level.

Wages

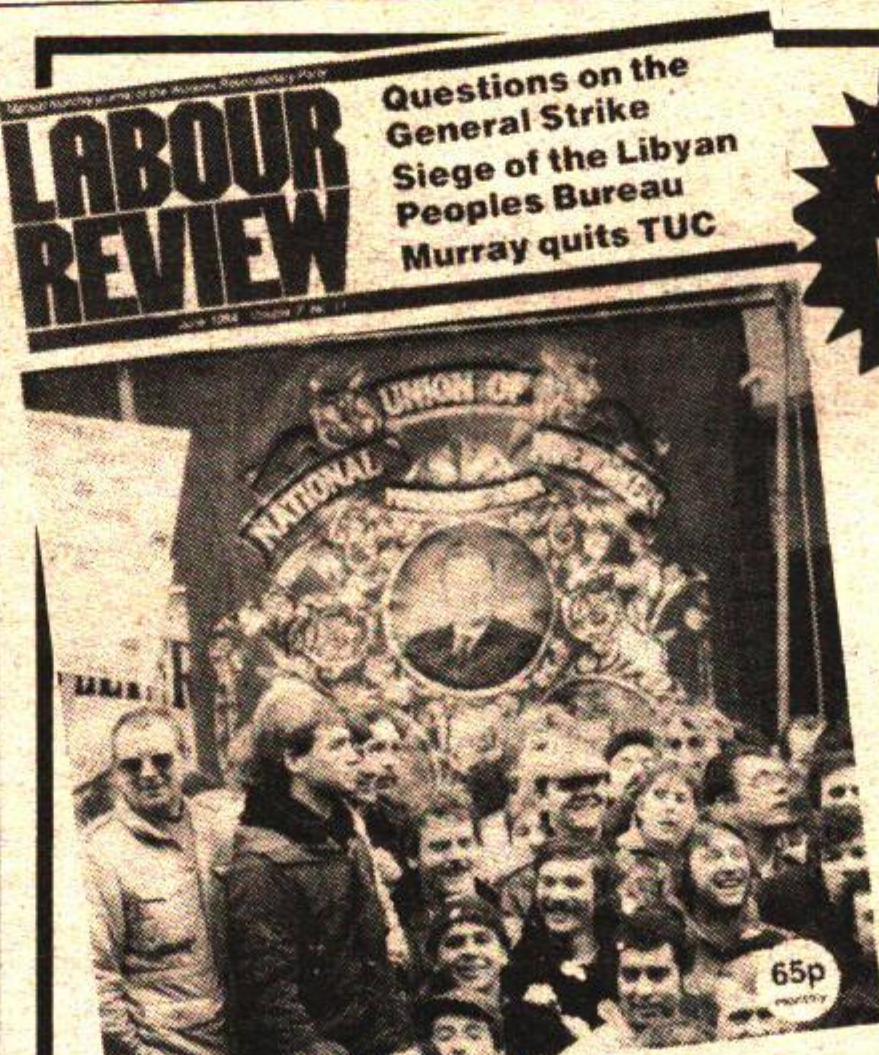
Strike leaders said government workers' wages have suffered because of the civil servants' reluctance to take strike action until now.

Teachers led the stoppage on Monday by leaving classrooms and shutting down 90 per cent of Peru's state schools.

The government's harsh reaction has had little effect on the workers' determination.

Belaunde Terry is anxious about the attitude of Western bankers and government creditors meeting a Peruvian team at the Paris Club talks, led by Prime Minister Sandro Mariategui to discuss the rescheduling of a repayment of \$1.04 billion over ten years.

The whole western economy has been shaken once in recent days by the effect of the Bolivian trade union movement's refusal to accept more slump measures from the International Monetary Fund (IMF).



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SPLIT WITH 'MORNING STAR' DEEPENS

THE Communist Party executive failed to get its resolution on the future of the 'Morning Star' discussed at the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the People's Press Printing Society in Sheffield on Monday night.

At the end of a stormy meeting, the resolution seeking the removal of 'Morning Star' editor Tony Chater and his deputy David Whitfield, was ruled out of order by the chairman, former ASLEF president Bill Ronsley.

There were shouts of

BY OUR OWN REPORTER

'Fix', 'Fiddle', 'Shame' and 'Crooked' as he brushed aside a succession of points of order and moved on to complete the agenda.

Soon after the meeting opened Yorkshire district secretary of the Communist Party Dave Priscott

tried to get the executive resolution on to the agenda.

After several minutes of wrangling, Ronsley finally agreed to allow it to be raised at the end of the meeting during discussion on resolutions. But he later ruled it out of order.

In his bid to get the motion discussed, Priscott said: 'Confusion and recriminations have been ten times compounded by the (PPPS) management committee's attempt to resolve a political problem with administrative methods.'

Breached

He accused the Chater group of having 'breached democratic centralism on the executive committee and now denying democratic rights to shareholders'.

The sizeable contingent of pro-party loyalists at the 250-strong meeting were outraged over the refusal to allow discussion on the party's resolution as well as over the outcome of last Sunday's Glasgow AGM which was closed down after 44 minutes without the order paper being reached.

The PPPS management committee has now ruled that the 700 Scottish shareholders have no right to cast their votes at any of the remaining sectional meetings — Bristol on Thursday, Birmingham on Friday and London next Sunday.

The arbitrary rulings at the four PPPS meetings held so far make a mockery of the annual report's statement: 'The management committee reiterates its view. Good relations can and must be re-established' (with the Communist Party).



Members of the audience at the Sheffield PPPS meeting anxious to speak on the future of the 'Morning Star'

had been decided at the first of the sectional AGMs in Manchester last Saturday.

In turmoil

PPPS secretary Mary Rosser admitted that most of the ballot papers handed out at the Glasgow AGM could not be accounted for after that meeting ended in turmoil.

She said that a young steward had been treated in hospital after his teeth were knocked out while trying to retrieve ballot papers.

She added that after a second steward had been punched in the stomach the attempt to collect ballot papers was abandoned.

Bill Innes, a full-time party official, said 'the tail would be wagging the dog' if the management committee was allowed 'to change the relationship between the paper and the party without



DAVE PRISCOTT

any discussion with shareholders'.

He added to loud applause from the Euro-Stalinists: 'The Communist Party is not going to become an agent of the management committee of the PPPS.'

Innes said the political attitude of the Chater group had been demonstrated when the special

issue of the 'Morning Star' on the miners had also included three-quarters of a page of letters attacking the Communist Party.

Chater struggled to make himself heard throughout his report on the proposed 'survival plan' for the 'Morning Star' as supporters of the executive heckled him and called for his resignation.

He accused the CP executive of issuing 'a flood of quite slanderous statements'.

Backing the survival plan, Maurice Jones, editor of the official NUM monthly, 'The Miner', revealed that it cost £5,600 a month to print the union journal.

'Everybody here knows where I would like that money to go,' he said, referring to the Chater plan to secure contracts to print union magazines.

Commercial

The fine print of the 39th annual report of the PPPS reveals the desperate state of the 'Morning Star's' finances. It says that the 5p price increase in January, which took the price of the paper to 30p, 'still leaves us with a deficit in 1984 of £200,000, and this is the same order as our reserves.'

In other words, on present performance, the PPPS will run out of money at the end of this year.

(At last Saturday's meeting in Manchester, Rosser said the figure was nearer £250,000. It means the deficit has grown by £50,000 since the annual report was published).

Referring to the costs of the commercial printing operation the annual report says: 'The machine will cost £650,000. Other installation costs will bring the total to about £800,000.'

'The machine will be purchased via a seven-year leasing agreement. This will involve repayments of nearly £3,000 per week, for which we will need about £20,000 of work per week.'



Bill Ronsley, who chaired Monday's meeting in Sheffield, found he had his hands as full as chairmen at the previous PPPS meetings in Manchester, Nottingham and Glasgow at the weekend. With him on the platform were Mary Rosser, PPPS chief executive, and 'Morning Star' editor Tony Chater

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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE

'There's no going back'

IN SOUTH Derbyshire, like Leicestershire, the area NUM leadership has actively opposed the pit strike, ensuring that the majority of miners in both areas have scabbed on the strike. In spite of this hostility to the national call, a consistent and principled minority in both areas has been out since the beginning of the strike.

In the South Derbyshire area, News Line spoke to the Strike Committee just after they had returned from London, where they had campaigned for funds and support. They had also taken part in the occupation of Hobart House, the NCB headquarters, on the day that Arthur Scargill had been arrested at Orgreave.

BY A NEWS LINE REPORTER

Kevin Machin, from Cadley Hill colliery, said that they had gone to London to raise their morale: 'We were isolated up here with a lot of abuse,' he said, 'but what we realise now is the enormous amount of support there is for the strike.'

'This came from where we least expected, like taxi drivers and shopkeepers, as well as the rank and file of the trade union movement, who have been fantastic. In terms of public support, I can see that the trend is very much our way.'

'This is because people realise that the destruction of the NUM, which is the strongest union, would mean the destruction of every union. The Tories have been preparing for this since 74 and its part of their strategy for defeating the unions.'

'There's no going back until pit closures and job losses are dropped and we have an expanding industry,' added Brian Roberts, from Rawdon colliery.

'We are the first union to refuse to back down from the Wembley Conference decisions. We have all the support because what happened with the National Graphical Association made a lot of people de-

termined to fight and win the next one and this is it.

'In my view, Murray and company have sold their class down the river, and now he's looking for an ermine collar. If we are going to return the unions to their members some of these people will have to go.'

Nick Wroughton, from Cadley Hill pointed out that trade union solidarity had gained the franchise for the working class. 'Now we have to use solidarity to defend it,' he said.

Bankrupt

'The judicial system has been shown to be the muscle of a morally-bankrupt system. The reason the government does not want to take up the injunction is that the trade union movement would not allow the NUM to go bankrupt and this would bring other trade unions into the struggle. They want us isolated.'

'The media plays a part here,' said Joey Bohen. 'The way they distort the truth is incredible. There is so much support for us, but you don't see it in the media. I think that our fellow brothers and sisters in the National Union of Journalists should re-

fuse to handle some of these stories. They should stick by their codes of conduct and follow the example of SOGAT '82.'

Brian Roberts said that he did not think that the time was right for a General Strike. 'It's true that there is a lot of support for us and Thatcher wants to keep us isolated,' he said. 'But I think that we should let the momentum build up. We can certainly start to call for increased help on the picket lines.'

'The laws that are being passed are just short of fascism,' said Kevin Machin. 'They are taking elections away from London and other metropolitan districts. That is dictatorship. This is what we are up against.'

'Those miners who are still working should come out and join us, even at this stage they could still keep their credibility. Miners have got to realise they are not the National Coal Board, they are a part of the union. My message is that we stay out until our demands are met.'

'We have two members of our union leadership in jail. Even if everything is sorted out, we are not going back until these two men are released.'



Brian Roberts, Kevin Machin and Joey Bohen, outside Hobart House

Pickets are back in force

PICKETING has started this week at the Point of Ayr colliery in North Wales following the one-week Whitsun closedown.

Members of the women's support group are joining striking miners to show their contempt at scabs going in to work.

On Sunday night, the first night back, the line of police keeping back the pickets was backed up by two coaches and a van full of reinforcements which were spotted hidden on a nearby caravan site.

The pickets, however, won a small victory. Maurice Whitehead told News Line that members of the pit management had been allowed to stand by the entrance to encourage men to go into work.

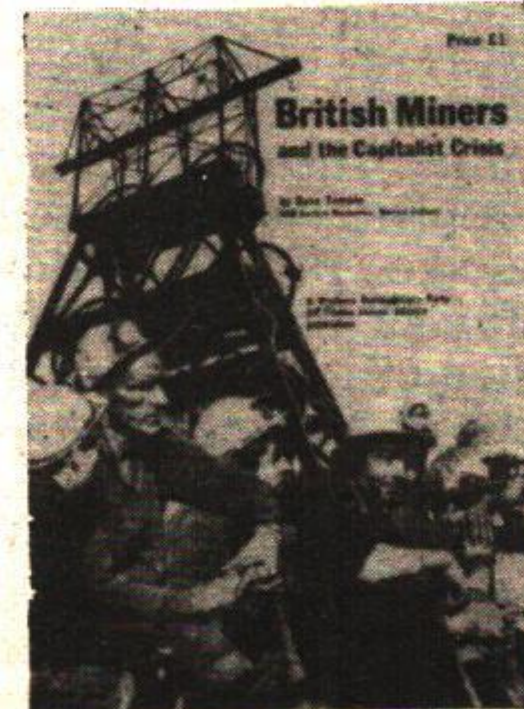
'We told the police they were showing bias by allowing management representatives to stand there, while the main body of our pickets were kept back across the road,' he said.

'Eventually they gave us an undertaking that management would have to stand back too.'



Margaret Holden, Lynne Cheetham and Angela Green of the Striking Wives' Support Group, together with Lynne's husband Tony who is on strike, show their contempt for the men crossing their picket line by singing, 'We'd rather be a picket than a scab'

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It has since co-ordinated in a single purpose every arm of the state — the police, the courts, the press and the Coal Board — to smash the miners' strike and the National Union of Mineworkers.

● ON WEDNESDAY, March 14, the High Court, in a private hearing before Mr Justice Nolan, granted the National Coal Board an injunction preventing the Yorkshire NUM from instructing members to picket at any pits other than their own.

The union was told it must not 'encourage or assist' such pickets or finance them. This ruling remains in force, though the NCB have not yet returned to court to seek damages or sequestration of the union's funds.

● ON FRIDAY, March 16, Attorney-General Sir Michael Havers announced that police had powers to stop any vehicle carrying pickets. Anyone refusing to turn back, however far they were from a coalfield, would be liable to arrest for obstruction.

● ON TUESDAY, March 20, High Court judge Justice McNeill threw out an application by Kent NUM for an injunction against the county's chief constable for stopping pickets in the Dartford tunnel and threatening them with arrest if they did not turn home.

● ON TUESDAY, April 17, two injunctions were passed against the South Wales NUM at the High Court in London by Sir Douglas Frank in favour of two lorry company owners.

The injunction barred pickets from 'stopping, approaching or in any way interfering' with the lorries which were carrying coal for British Steel at Port Talbot. The hearing took 15 minutes.

● ON FRIDAY May 11, NUM president Malcolm Pitt was barred from picketing by Ramsgate magistrates as a condition of bail following his arrest. Similar restrictive bail conditions have been applied on arrested miners throughout the strike. Pitt was later arrested on Saturday, May 19, showing visiting Japanese miners' union officials the picket line at Richborough power station. He has been in jail ever since.

● ON FRIDAY, May 25, vice-chancellor Sir Robert Megarry ruled in the High Court that it was unlawful for either the Nottinghamshire NUM or the national officials of the union to instruct miners in Nottinghamshire to join the strike or to respect picket lines.

Supporting the action of three scab miners, Megarry ruled that the national delegates' conference which called the strike was 'unfair' and in breach of union rules. Megarry implicitly appointed himself as union president, executive and delegates all at once.

In addition, scabs have been protected by the courts from suspension from membership of the union in both North Derbyshire and Lancashire.

Throughout the whole 13 weeks of the strike, every single judgement has been against the miners and in favour of the scabs, the Coal Board and the government. This is certain proof of the Bonapartist dictatorship now established in Downing Street and the need to organise a General Strike alongside the miners against the Tories.

CALL A GENERAL STR



PICKETS managed to get to winder Bill Coppin's car before it was completely surrounded by a massive force of police as he arrived for work at Houghton Main pit yesterday



MINERS' children from Blidworth in Nottinghamshire had a whale of a time knocking down the Tories at the traditional Cambridge stra

LIKE TO BACK THE MINERS



Flashpoint as strike-breakers drive through pit pickets

A PHALANX of 140 police surrounded the car of a winder yesterday to escort him through angry pickets at Houghton Main colliery, near Barnsley, south Yorkshire.

When local winders' branch secretary Bob Coppin and another strike-breaker, Tony Robson, arrived at the colliery, the 100 strikers surged forward and demanded that they turn back.

The pickets were then driven off the road by police.

But they re-grouped further down, forming a blockade behind the steel barrier. For half an hour senior police officers conferred among themselves and with Coal Board officials.

Coppin, meanwhile, sat in his car, which was largely obscured by the blanket of blue around. Having arrogantly refused to talk to the official

Report: SIMON VEVERS
Photos: SEAN SMITH

pickets, he freely gave interviews to both television and radio.

Finally the police, in wedge formation, bulldozed their way through the pickets, chasing them off the roadways as the strike-breakers entered the pit yard.

The response to yesterday's elaborate operation will be a 'saturation' picket this morning, said Houghton Main NUM branch president Roy Vaughan.

Determined

He told News Line: 'These winders are going to work in direct contravention of the union rule book.

'We are determined to stop them because they are breaking the strike and are the only ones to do so in the Yorkshire area.'

Significantly at least 40

of the pickets were winders, demolishing Coppin's claim that his return to work would herald more strike breaking.

Ray Stanley, South Yorkshire winders' delegate, said: 'The presence of all these police to get these men into work is atrocious. There will be a build up of pickets here tomorrow, that's for sure.

'The men who have gone to work today have no backbone, in my opinion. We should all stay solid.'

◆ SHEFFIELD trades council has called on all trade unionists in the city to support a mass picket in solidarity with the miners outside the Orgreave coke works at 7.30a.m. this morning.

Thousands of police were again on standby near the BSC plant yesterday, but there were no incidents as the two convoys of scab lorries left with coal supplies for Scunthorpe steel works.



A HUGE GUARD surrounded winder Bill Coppin's car for half an hour yesterday as police attempted to open a gate sealed with super glue

Blidworth children enjoy Cambridge strawberry fair

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

THE annual Strawberry Fair procession through Cambridge on Saturday was led by a dragon shouting 'Maggie, Maggie, Maggie, out! out! out!'

Inside the dragon were the children of striking Nottinghamshire miners from Blidworth. Two 56-seater coaches full of striking miners' families were in Cambridge for the day as guests of the Cambridge Miners' Support Committee.

This committee is campaigning to set up a community council in Cambridge and had arranged the trip jointly with Blidworth Community Council.

The committee had raised about £450 in just

over a week to pay for the trip after Blidworth Community Council had discussed the importance of giving the striking miners' children a day out.

In addition the Cambridge co-op provided £150 worth of food for the day. The miners' support committee have been taking food and cash to Blidworth weekly since they decided to adopt the pit village.

Events

Besides the fair itself events for the day included a conducted tour of the colleges, swimming and tea with the mayor and mayoress. A stall in the fair run by the support committee raised

£226 which was presented to Blidworth Community Council before they left, together with food which had been collected during the week.

Earlier in the week Annette Holdroyd, secretary of Blidworth Community Council and Keith and Margaret Groves, a striking miner and his wife had spoken at public meetings organised by Cambridge Young Socialists despite the arrest of Annette's husband John at 2a.m. on the morning they were coming to Cambridge.

On Wednesday afternoon Annette and Margaret spoke on local radio on behalf of Blidworth Community Council to denounce the systematic in-

timidation by Nottinghamshire police of Annette and Doreen Humber, chairperson of the Community Council and their families.

The Joint Shop Stewards Committee at Addenbrookes hospital in Cambridge have called for a day of action to be organised in Cambridge, including industrial stoppages to demand that the TUC call a General Strike in support of the miners.

Discussions

This call has now been supported by Cambridge Trades Council and discussions are taking place together with the miners' support committee on when this should take place.

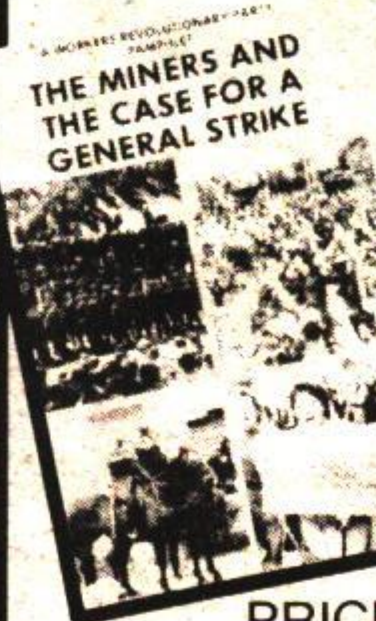


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THE MINERS' STRUGGLE



The case for Community Councils

EVERY trade unionist and worker must come to the aid of the miners in their struggle for jobs against the capitalist state, the Thatcher dictatorship and the National Coal Board.

The working class as a whole and their professional allies must share the burdens and sacrifices of the fight which the miners are waging in defence of the most basic of rights — the right to work and to organise freely in trade unions independent of the state.

Trade union branches, shop stewards' committees, trades councils and other labour movement organisations must take the initiative now in the setting up of Community Councils which will act immediately to meet the needs of the miners.

Thatcher and the state are out to smash up pit communities, driving families into destitution and starving the miners back to work. Their aim is not only to destroy the miners' union, but all trade unions.

Miners are, therefore, fighting on behalf of the whole working class. They cannot be left to shoulder the burdens of the strike alone. All workers must ensure that the miners can continue the struggle under the best conditions, and that a common front is presented to the class enemy.

As well as the trade unions, the Community Councils must draw in representatives of every section of the working class and their middle-class and professional allies involved in the anti-Tory fight — miners' wives, youth groups, voluntary organisations and local Labour councils.

At the very same time the Tories are attacking the miners, they are also establishing a central government dictatorship over local Labour councils, threatening cities like Liverpool with financial destruction and abolishing seven authorities covering the major industrial areas of England. Community Councils will take responsibility for the defence of local councils, jobs and services.

There are immediate and practical tasks which flow from the defiant resistance of the miners to the provocations of the NCB, an unprecedented military-style police operation directed by the Home Office through Scotland Yard and the organised harassment by social security, gas and electricity bureaucrats.

The Workers Revolutionary Party believes that the tasks of Community Councils, which should extend beyond mining districts, will be to:

- Provide food for families and children of those on strike. No miner to be starved back to work by the Tories.

- Pay urgent bills for electricity and gas, calling on workers not to carry out cut-offs as an act of solidarity with the strike. Raise funds for new clothing and footwear for strikers.

- Ensure that no miner is evicted by local councils for not being able to pay rent or rates. Make certain that medical supplies are paid for so that miners and their families can get the treatment prescribed.

- Arrange for the care of the elderly dependent on support from miners' families, ensure nursery provision so that miners' wives can participate fully in winning support for the strike.

- Organise the provision of free legal representation for miners who need it. Provide accommodation for miners from other areas.

- Watch out for and organise against provocateurs. Organise the defence of union offices and funds from state attacks.

- Rally other workers to support and back up miners' pickets and organise marches and rallies.

LABOUR COUNCILS must be asked to:

- Provide free school meals and transport for miners' children.

- Make office accommodation in council offices available to miners, with facilities for printing and communications.

- Make sure that no evictions take place because of mounting debts. Wipe out rent and rate arrears.

- Provide free public transport for strikers and their families. Make all council facilities available free to miners. Lay on entertainments and outings for miners' families.

- Resist having to foot the bill for the cost of the Downing Street directed police operation against the miners' union.

This is the best way to answer the challenge of the capitalist state, and the Tory dictatorship. Community Councils — as Soviet-type organisations — will give the working class confidence in its own independent strength to defeat the class enemy and provide the basis for the successful struggle for power which has now been joined.



THE OFFICIAL picket line at Cotgrave colliery — Mick Chenings, Joe Mohammed, Paul Robinson and Alan Brown

'We can't compromise on jobs'

COTGRAVE colliery in south Nottinghamshire has been dubbed the 'Rising Sun' pit, after the colliery which closed near Wallsend in the north east 15 years ago.

Alan Brown's family was among 150 uprooted by that closure who packed their bags and moved to the Notts coalfield in 1969 in search of a steady job and a secure future.

And, after 12 weeks on strike, he is determined

not to become an industrial gypsy once again.

'That's why I'm on strike,' he told News Line, as 400 Yorkshire miners staged a lunch-time mass picket outside Cotgrave yesterday.

Brown said: 'I came down here looking for a long-term future, a job, and I've bought a house. But if they close this

place now, then I've got nothing.'

There are 100 miners on strike at Cotgrave, in defiance of the majority of local NUM branch officials, who have turned their backs on the fight to defend jobs and have openly advocated scabbing by their members.

When Cotgrave strikers asked their union officials

to let them carry the NUM branch banner on the recent May Day march in Nottingham, they were met with a flat refusal.

Undeterred, the strikers contacted the Northumberland miners and asked them if they could carry the 'Rising Sun' banner on the demonstration instead.

'They got it out of the museum up there. All the strikers, together with our wives and children, marched from Cotgrave to Slab Square in Nottingham behind the banner.'

'It was a tremendous gesture by the Northumberland miners,' said strike committee member, Paul Robinson.

Support

'Individually trade unionists throughout the country have given us fantastic support. It would be great now if the rest of the trade union movement as a whole really got behind us.'

'I back Arthur Scargill 100 per cent, and I think we now have the class of leadership in the NUM which has been lacking for many years. I don't think they would sell jobs for a knighthood off Thatcher.'

'There may have to be compromise on both sides, but one thing's for sure — we can't compromise on jobs.'

Cotgrave picket Colin Atkins said that he had been prevented from taking his place as the sixth official picket outside his own pit.

'When I arrived today, I went forward to make up the picket and I was stopped by a police officer, and sent back, even though I showed him my work check number, my driving licence, insurance and M.O.T. certificates,' he said.

Trade unions organise food collections

TRADE unionists all over the country are expressing their support for the miners' strike by organising regular collections of food and clothing.

Steve Smith, T&GWU convenor at the Rowntree MacIntosh complex at Halifax, spoke about the experiences in his factory.

'Our stewards are going round every week with collecting sheets and tins. So far we have sent over £800 and we are holding another £100 which will be used to buy food at a wholesale warehouse.'

'The support is being co-

ordinated by Halifax trades council. We have set up a miners' support group which meets weekly.'

'At the last meeting there were 25 people including Labour councillors and trade unionists. We have organised collection points for food.'

'In my own factory we have had a far better response than I expected. It's a decent workforce and the important thing is that the support has been continuous, in fact it is getting

stronger. It shows that the support is deep rooted in the working class.'

'One of my shop steward's mother is a pensioner. She has collected food amongst her mates and every week brings in two carrier bags full of food. This is an unprecedented situation.'

'The Tories are trying to starve the miners out. The trade unions nationally can and must provide sustenance. Every possible support must be given.'

Response is terrific

THE Halifax Trades Council miners' support group is holding regular food collections outside the Yorkshire town's supermarkets.

'The response has been terrific. Halifax is not actually in a mining area,' said a member of the group. 'Only a handful of miners live in the town. We have been sending regular food parcels to Emley Moor colliery near Huddersfield.'

'A delegation from the

pit comes to all our support group meetings so they can advise us on what they need, especially baby food and baby's clothing.'

'They also give a regular report on their branch's experiences of picketing in Nottinghamshire.'

'This gives us the opportunity to define and analyse the role of the state attacks on the miners who are in the forefront of the struggle of the

whole working class.'

'All the conditions exist for the General Strike. We have seen the attacks on the NGA over at Warrington, the withdrawal of all trade union rights at GCHQ and now the implementation of a national police force and what amounts to a police state in Nottinghamshire and parts of Scotland.'

'Why do Scargill and McGahey still hesitate to demand that the TUC calls a General Strike?'

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Exhibition tribute to Birgit Skiold

BIRGIT SKIOLD, was an influential figure in printmaking in Britain. She came to this country from her native Sweden in 1948 and in 1958 established a print workshop in Charlotte Street, London, which became a centre for printmakers.

This retrospective memorial exhibition at the Camden Arts Centre, Skiold died in May 1982, demonstrates clearly her development as an artist and the influence she had on others.

More than 100 prints and etchings from printmakers all over the

Birgit Skiold Memorial Exhibition, until June 10, Camden Arts Centre, Arkwright Road, London NW3.

world complement the exhibition as a tribute to her work.

Her own prints are sparsely displayed in two large rooms.

Skiold's early work was abstract patterns of shape, line and colour, but in the 1960s her prints became less complicated, concentrating on line and more simple shapes. This approach

led her to abandon colour altogether and concentrate on relief printing.

She was one of the first printmakers to use this technique and develop it to high standards.

Birgit Skiold was founder member of the Printmakers Council, chairing the body from 1972 to 1974. She initiated important meetings and conferences and also published books.

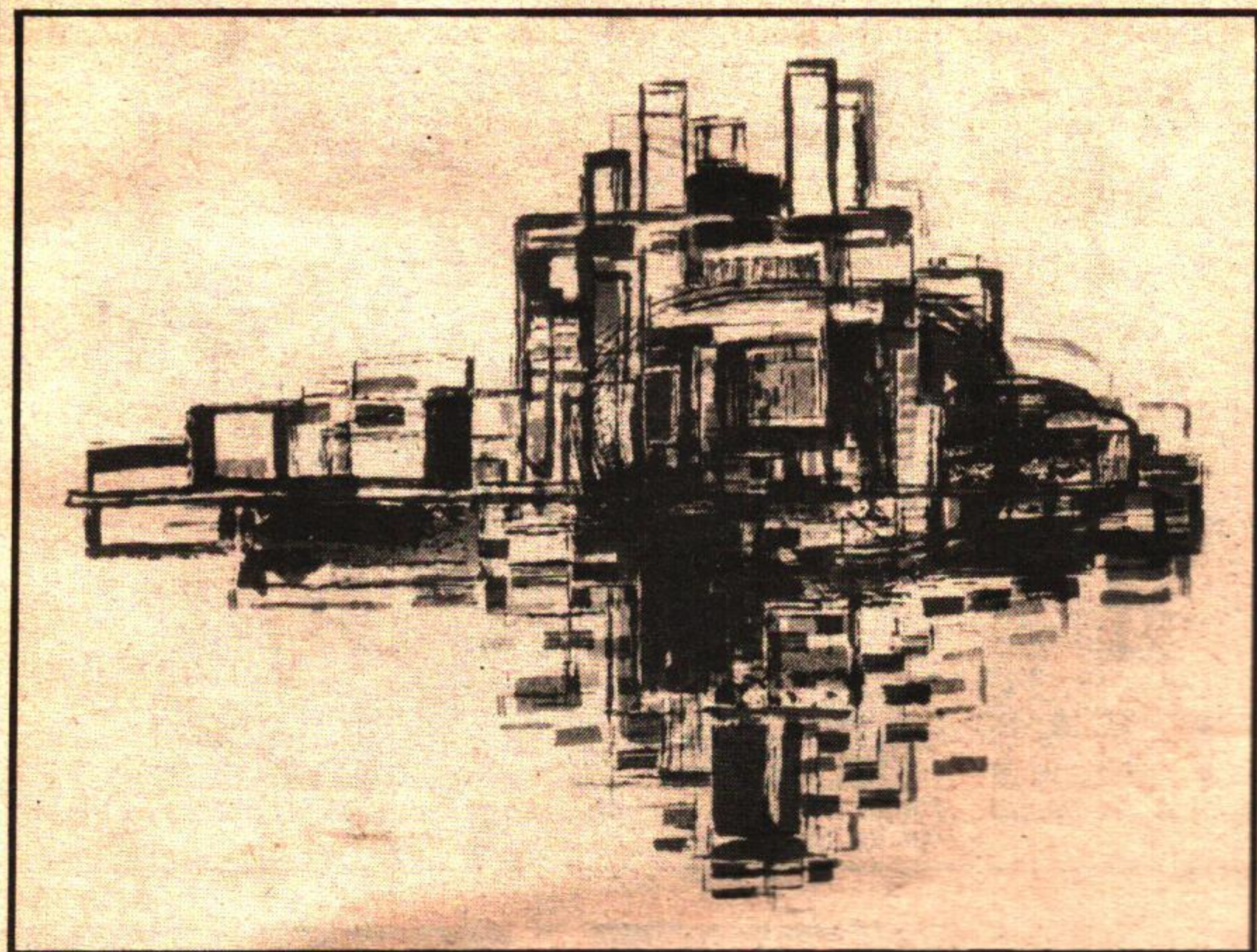
One publication, 'Chimes', won the Prix de la Bibliophilie at the Nice book festival.

Opera at lower prices

A FIXED price opera ticket for opera performances in the 1984-1985 season is to be brought in by the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden.

Top price seats for the new season starting in September will be fixed at £34 for the orchestra stalls and stalls circle, going down to £6.50 in the amphitheatre and balcony stalls and £2 in the upper slips.

'The opera-going public will now be able to hear and see a wide variety of top artists in many new productions and major revivals for less money than at most leading opera houses in the Western world,' said Sir Claus Moser, chairman of the board of the Opera House yesterday.



Across the River by Birgit Skiold

SHOOTING INQUEST

THE INQUEST on retired personnel officer Colyn Bedale-Taylor, who died from gunshot wounds after an incident in an Avon farmhouse, was opened in Bristol yesterday.

Bristol Coroner Donald Hawkins released the body of 63-year-old Bedale-Taylor, of The Gatehouse,

Horton Hill, Horton, near Bristol, for burial after the short hearing.

Hawkins was told that farmer Graham Backhouse, 43, of Widden Hill Farm, Horton, was in custody charged with Bedale-Taylor's murder on April 30.

WEATHER

A BELT of thick cloud and rain over southern Scotland and northern England will move southwards, some of the rain will be heavy and perhaps thundery. Clearer weather will follow later into northern England, but fog will persist on some coasts in the north east. Scotland and northern Ireland will be rather cloudy with sunny intervals and remain mostly dry. It will be generally rather cool, but warm or very warm in parts of the north-west.

Outlook for Thursday and Friday: Rather cloudy with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, but drier weather with sunny periods spreading into all parts from the north. Very warm in the west to below normal in the east and south-west.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS PUBLIC MEETINGS

• Miners must not fight alone! • Force TUC to call a General Strike! • Build Community Councils! • Build revolutionary leadership!

SCOTLAND

DUNDEE: Wednesday June 6, 7.30p.m. Conference Room, Central Library, Wellgate.

Speakers: Colin Yackiminie (YS National Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee); An NUM speaker

WHITBURN: Tuesday June 12, 7.30p.m. Whitburn Community Centre, Manse Road.

Speakers: Colin Yackiminie (YS National Committee); Simon Pirani (WRP Central Committee)

PAISLEY: Wednesday June 13, 7.30p.m. Paisley Town Hall, Paisley Cross. Speakers: Marie Devlin (YS); Alex McLarty (WRP Central Committee)

GOVANHILL: Thursday June 28, 7.30p.m. Langside Halls, Shawlands Cross.

Speakers: Saul Judah (YS Regional Committee); Chris Corrigan (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Hugh Haran (Secretary, joint shop stewards, Victoria Infirmary); Charlie Fealy (NALGO)

NORTH WALES

BANGOR: Wednesday June 6, 7.30p.m. Committee Room B, 2nd Floor, Students Union, Denior Road.

Speakers: Wayne Chand (YS National Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Billy Lawley and Steve Whitaker (BOLD NUM); Daffyd Llewelyn Jones (Wales Divisional Council, NUPE); Chairman: Alwyn ap Hew (NUPE District Committee secretary)

NORTH WEST

LONGSIGHT: Monday June 11, 7.30p.m. Longsight Library, Stockport Road. Speakers: John Oldham (YS Regional Committee); Stuart Carter (WRP Central Committee)

ST HELENS: Tuesday June 12, 8p.m. Bold Miners Welfare, Fleet Lane. Speakers: Kathy Flaherty (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); Mal Gregory (Secretary BOLD NUM); Larry Cavanagh (Secretary Merseyside Docks shop stewards)

WIDNES: Thursday June 14, 7.30p.m. Ditton Community Centre, Dundalk Road. Speakers: Steve Perry (YS Regional Committee); Ray Evans (Wigan WRP); In personal capacity: Clir Ken Farrell; Steve Hunt (Sutton Manor NUM)

WINSFORD: Wednesday June 20, 7.30p.m. Mount Pleasant Community Centre. Speakers: Wayne Chand (YS National Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee)

BURNLEY: Sunday June 24, 6p.m. AUEW Rooms, Hargreaves Street, opp Burnley Central Post Office.

Speakers: Wayne Chand (YS Regional Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Stuart Caddy (UCW branch secretary)

CREWE: Thursday June 28, 8p.m. Room 04, Oakley Centre.

Speakers: Wayne Chand (YS National Committee); Tony Banda (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: George Price (president Silverdale NUM)

YORKSHIRE

HULL: Monday June 11, 7.30p.m. Central Library, Union Street.

Speakers: Chris Marsden (YS National Committee); Dave Hyland (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: John Harland (EETPU, in personal capacity); Tom Kemp (Hull WRP)

BRADFORD: Wednesday June 20, 7.30p.m. Bradford Central Library, Princes Way.

Speakers: Chris Marsden (YS National Committee); Cliff Slaughter (WRP Central Committee); In personal capacity: Betty Elie (Thornton View occupation); Ernest Fairburn (Emley Moor NUM)

EAST MIDLANDS

NOTTINGHAM: Thursday June 14, 7.30p.m. Albert Hall Institute.

Speakers: Kevin Townsend (YS National Committee); Mike Banda (WRP General Secretary)

WEST MIDLANDS

COVENTRY: Wednesday June 13, 7.30p.m. The Heath, Foleshill Road.

Speakers: Clive Andrews (YS National Committee); Alex Mitchell (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from W. Midlands NUM, in personal capacity

BIRMINGHAM: Tuesday June 19, 7.30p.m. West Smethwick Community Centre, Oldbury Road.

Speakers: Clive Andrews (YS National Committee); Corin Redgrave (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from W. Midlands NUM, in personal capacity

EASTERN

LOWESTOFT: Thursday June 7, 7.30p.m. Central Library, Clapham Road.

Speakers: Melita Attard (YS Regional Committee); Fiona Cairns (WRP Area Committee); Speaker from Nottingham NUM, in personal capacity

PETERBOROUGH: Tuesday June 12, 7.30p.m. AUEW Hall, Lincoln Road.

Speakers: Linda Mee (YS Regional Committee); Ray Athow (WRP Central Committee); Pat Brookes (Peterborough WRP); In personal capacity: Ray Lane (AUEW Labour Pumps); Speaker from Nottingham NUM

CAMBRIDGE: Thursday June 14, 7.30p.m. The Bath House, Gwydir Street.

Speakers: Tony Hyland (YS National Committee); Martin Booth (Cambridge WRP); In personal capacity: Haddu Mohammed (COHSE National Executive); Speaker from Nottingham NUM

KENT

ERITH: Wednesday June 13, 7.30p.m. Erith Town Hall, Erith.

Speakers: Richard Murphy (YS Regional Committee); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from Kent NUM

DEAL: Tuesday June 19, 7.30p.m. Landmark Community Centre.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from Kent NUM, in personal capacity

SURREY

HORLEY: Thursday June 21, 7.30p.m. Strawson Hall, Albert Road.

Speakers: Claire Dixon (YS National Committee); Joe Kierney (Crawley WRP)

ESSEX

ROMFORD: Thursday June 28, 7.30p.m. Dolphin Centre, Main Road.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Secretary); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee)

LONDON

MILLWALL: Wednesday June 6, 7.30p.m. Glengall Grove Community Centre, 37-43 Glengall Grove, Cubitt Town.

Speakers: Julie Hyland (YS National Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

VAUXHALL: Wednesday June 6, 8p.m. China Walk Tenants Hall, Lambeth Walk, SE11.

Speakers: Richard Murphy (YS Regional Committee); Paul Feldman (WRP Central Committee)

KILBURN: Thursday June 7, 7.30p.m. Abbey Community Centre, Belsize Road, NW6.

Speakers: Dolly Short (YS editor); Peter Farrell (WRP Central Committee); Speaker from Kent NUM; Clir Neil Fletcher (Chairman ILEA education committee, in personal capacity)

BRIXTON: Wednesday June 20, 7.30p.m. Stockwell Hall, Buckmaster House, Stockwell Park Estate, SW9.

Speakers: Maxine McDermott (Brixton YS); Ida Turner (Brixton WRP); Alex Mitchell (WRP Central Committee)

CAMDEN: Thursday June 21, 7.30p.m. Hampden Community Centre, Ossulton Street, NW1.

Speakers: Rufus Boulting (YS Regional Committee); Richard Price (WRP Central Committee)

STOKE NEWINGTON: Wednesday June 27, 7.30p.m. Hall of Remembrance, Clissold Road, off Church Street, N16.

Speakers: Marianne Kane (YS Regional Committee); Richard Goldstein (WRP Area Committee); Speaker from Kent NUM

EDMONTON: Thursday June 28, 7.30p.m. Angel Community Centre, Raynham Road. Speakers: Gary Ryder (YS National Committee); Richard Goldstein (WRP Area Committee, Gestetters convenor in personal capacity)

WORKERS REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

Four Public Lectures

1. The economic crisis and the future of the mining industry

Reading: Wage Labour and Capital - K Marx
Wages, Price and Profit - K Marx
Communist Manifesto - K Marx and F Engels

2. The role of the state, the Bonapartist Tory government and the attack on the basic democratic rights of the working class

Reading: State and Revolution - V I Lenin
The Eighteenth Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte - K Marx
Where is Britain Going? - L Trotsky

3. The reformist nature of the trade union leadership. The role of Stalinism and revisionism

Reading: Trotsky on Britain Vols 1-3 - L Trotsky
Revolution Betrayed - L Trotsky

4. Why the need for revolutionary leadership. Why a Workers Revolutionary Government

Reading: Programme for Workers Revolutionary Government - Statement by Workers Revolutionary Party Central Committee

DUNFERMLINE

Dunfermline High School
St Leonards Place
Lecturer: T. Brotherton
Edinburgh WRP

Thursday June 7 Thursday June 21
Thursday June 14 Thursday June 28
All at 7p.m.

ST HELENS

St Helens Town Hall
Lecturer: Tony Banda
(WRP Central Committee)

Wednesday June 6 Wednesday June 20
Wednesday June 13 Wednesday June 27
All at 7.30p.m.

NOTTINGHAM

Nottingham Youth Training Centre
4 Commerce Square, Lace Market
Lecturer: Peter Jones
(WRP Central Committee)

Sunday June 17 Sunday July 1
Sunday June 24 Sunday July 8
All at 6p.m.

MERTHYR TYDFIL

Merthyr Youth Training Centre
Wesley Hall, Pont Morlais
Lecturer: Matthew Robertson
(WRP Central Committee)

Sunday June 10 Sunday June 24
Sunday June 17 Sunday July 1
All at 7p.m.

COVENTRY

Sydney Stringer School
Lime Street
Lecturer: Corin Redgrave
(WRP Central Committee)

Tuesday June 12 Tuesday June 26
Tuesday June 19 Tuesday July 2
All at 7.30p.m.

NORTHAMPTON

The Guildhall
Lecturer: Alex Mitchell (WRP Central Committee)

Wednesday June 13 Wednesday July 4
Wednesday June 27 Wednesday July 11
All at 7.30m.

GLASGOW

Young Socialists Youth Training Centre
Tobago Street
Lecturer: Alex McLarty
(WRP Central Committee)

2. Monday June 11
3. Monday June 18 All at 7.30p.m.
4. Monday June 25

MANCHESTER

Basement Theatre
Manchester Town Hall, Albert Square
Lecturer: Geoff Pilling -
(WRP Central Committee)

Thursday June 7 Thursday June 21
Thursday June 14 Thursday June 28
All at 7.30p.m.

STOKE ON TRENT

Kidsgrove Community Centre
Whitehall Avenue, Kidsgrove
Lecturer: Mike Banda
(WRP General Secretary)

2. Tuesday June 12
3. Tuesday June 19 All at 8p.m.
4. Tuesday June 26

DONCASTER

Edlington Community Centre
Stubbins Hill, Edlington
Lecturer: Mike Banda
(WRP General Secretary)

Wednesday June 13 Wednesday June 27
Wednesday June 20 Wednesday July 4
All at 7.30p.m.

IPSWICH

Ipswich Town Hall
Lecturer: Ray Athow
(WRP Central Committee)

Monday June 11 Monday June 25
Monday June 18 Monday July 2
All at 7.30p.m.

TODAY'S TV AND RADIO



Riva Neuman as Alma and Gad Roll as Mika in 'A Thousand Little Kisses' on 4 at 9.30 pm



Richard Pasco as Stephen Sorrell and Paul Critchley as his son Kit in 'Sorrell and Son' on ITV at 9

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 Breakfast Time. 9.00 Claire Rayner's Casebook. 9.25 Pages from Ceefax. 10.05 Gharbar. 10.30 Play School. 10.55 Cricket. 1.20 News After Noon. 1.35 Weather. 1.37 Regional News (London and SE: Financial Report; News Headlines). 1.40 Gran. 1.45 Stop-Go! 1.55 Cricket. 2.25 D-Day: 40 Years On. 3.05 Cricket. 3.50 D-Day: 40 Years On. 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Silas.

5.40 EVENING NEWS; Weatherman

6.00 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES

6.20 D-DAY: 40 YEARS ON

7.20 THE WEDNESDAY FILM: *And Then There Were None* (1974) With Oliver Reed, Richard Attenborough and Elke Sommer. Agatha Christie's famous murder thriller about eight people who are invited to stay at Mr Owen's luxury home in the desert. None of them know each other, and when they arrive, their host is absent. Then the guests realise that none of them know their host, either. So why have they been brought together?

9.00 NINE O'CLOCK NEWS Weatherman

9.25 SPORTSNIGHT Presented by Harry Carpenter. **Athletics:** Live coverage of the first of two meetings of the British Olympic Trials from Crystal Palace; **Boxing:** Highlights of last night's Duff/Barrett promotion at the Royal Albert Hall between Barry McGuigan (Ireland) and Esteban Eguia (Spain)

10.55 D-DAY: 40 YEARS ON

11.45 NEWS HEADLINES; Weatherman

11.50 Closedown

BBC2

6.05-8.10 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.05 King Frederick and Voltaire. 6.30 The Greek Liturgy. 6.55 Inorganic Chemistry. 7.20 The Ghent Altarpiece. 7.45 Fossils of Dinosaurs.

9.10-3.00 DAYTIME ON TWO: 9.10 Higher Education. 9.38 Science Workshop. 10.00 You and Me. 10.15 Maths at Work. 10.40 Mindstretchers. 10.45 Pages from Ceefax. 11.00 Words and Pictures. 11.17 One World. 11.39 Advanced Level Studies: Statistics. 12.05 Tele-Montage. 12.30 Widowhood. 12.55 Polymer Engineering. 1.20 Pages from Ceefax. 2.01 Watch. 2.18 Subtitle Slot: Science Workshop. 2.40 Zig Zag. 3.00 Pages from Ceefax. 3.55 Playschool: It's Wednesday. 4.20 The Perils of Penelope Pitstop. 4.40 Take Two.

5.05 CRICKET Further coverage of one of today's quarter-final matches in the Benson and Hedges Cup

7.30 NEWS SUMMARY with subtitles; Weather

7.35 FACING UP TO FORTY: THE BEST WE CAN DO Judith Hann continues her search for the best we can do to stay young

8.00 TIMEWATCH BBC2's history programme joins all the other channels today in looking back to D-Day from the distorted standpoint of British imperialism

9.00 ENTERTAINMENT USA Jonathan King visits Kansas City

9.30 STAGE DOOR CANTEN Another D-Day special. This time, Sarah Kennedy pays a visit to the Lyceum, London, joining a number of stars to recreate the famous wartime Stage Door Canteen

10.30 EBONY News, views, people and music from Britain's black communities includes interview with Labour leader Neil Kinnock. Presented by Juliet Alexander and Vince Herbert

11.00 NEWSNIGHT

11.45 CRICKET Highlights of one of today's quarter-final matches in the Benson and Hedges Cup

12.10-1.05 OPEN UNIVERSITY: 12.10 Conflict, or How Nelson Planned to Fight the Battle of Trafalgar. 12.35 Brazil.

CHANNEL 4

1.30 CHANNEL 4 RACING: DERBY DAY Brough Scott, along with jockey Joe Mercer, Judith Chalmers and other celebrities, present the excitement of this important event in the racing calendar — the big race is at 3.30p.m.

4.45 WORLD OF ANIMATION

5.00 COUNTDOWN Another edition of the words and numbers game

5.30 GREAT WALKS *Torridon* A walk around the spectacular circuit of Ben Allighin in Wester Ross

6.00 PASSAGE TO BRITAIN *Indian Origins* First of three films looking at immigration from the Indian sub-continent

6.30 WHEELS, WINGS AND WATER Olympic gold medalist David Wilkie and journalist Sarah Temple-Smith present a new action sports series, with such sports as power-boat racing, ballooning, wind-surfing and many others

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS presented by Peter Sissons

7.50 COMMENT by Tory MP Jeremy Hanley

8.00 BROOKSIDE

8.30 DIVERSE REPORTS 'City Limits' journalist Duncan Campbell gives his view of what constitutes 'news'

9.00 SIX CENTURIES OF VERSE *Metaphysical and Devotional 1590-1670* Presenters Sir John Gielgud, Julian Glover and Dame Peggy Ashcroft read the poetry of John Donne, George Herbert and Andrew Marvell

9.30 A THOUSAND LITTLE KISSES (1980) Israeli-made film about a young woman trying to find out the true identity of her dead father

11.20 VISIONS *Cinema as Foreign Exchange: Zimbabwe, Madagascar, Mozambique* Tonight's programme features African cinema, in particular that of Zimbabwe, Madagascar and Mozambique and interviews with leading African film makers

12.20 Close

THAMES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Thames News Headlines; followed by School Programmes. 11.55 Wattoo-Wattoo. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty. Imperialist leaders gather in Normandy for the 40th D-Day anniversary. 1.00 News at One. 1.15 Thames News. 1.25 D-Day Plus Forty. 2.45 The Ever Ready Derby. ITV joins with Channel Four to cover the 3.30 race from Epsom. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News.

6.00 THAMES NEWS With Andrew Gardner and Tina Jenkins

6.25 HELP!

6.35 CROSSROADS

7.00 D-DAY PLUS FORTY

7.30 CORONATION STREET

8.00 JIM DAVIDSON'S SPECIAL Jim Davidson presents a mixture of comedy, music and interruptions

9.00 SORRELL AND SON Serial based on a novel set between the two world wars. Penniless war hero Sorrell's wife deserts him. But he is determined to raise his son as a gentleman and they set off in search of a future

10.00 NEWS AT TEN followed by *Thames News Headlines*

10.40 NAN RED On D-Day when 156,000 Allied Troops stormed ashore in France, 1,000 of them landed on a beach at St Aubin codenamed Nan Red

11.40 CALLAHAN — APPOINTMENT IN RANGOON With Hart Bochner and Jamie Lee Curtis. Callahan, anthropologist and superman of scientific research, responds with Rachel, his beautiful assistant, to a call for help through his office window attached to an arrow

12.10 NIGHT THOUGHTS followed by Closedown

S4C

2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.35 Hyn O Fyd. 2.55 Racing from Epsom. 4.45 Clwb S4C. 5.00 Pictiwr Bach. 5.05 Smyrffs. 5.35 The ABA Junior Championships. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Jeopardy. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Bara Brith. 8.00 Deg Potel Werdd. 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar: News Headlines. 9.00 Film: *The True Glory*. 10.50 Diverse Reports. 11.20 Lifers. 11.50 Close.

RADIO

1 6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat). 2.00 Bruno Brookes. 4.30 Peter Powell (5.30 Newsbeat). 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peel (S).

2 4.00 Colin Berry (S). 5.30 Ray Moore (S). 7.30 Terry Wogan (8.31 Racing Bulletin). 10.00 Jimmy Young (S). 12.00 Steve Jones (S) (1.05 Sports Desk). 2.05 Gloria Hunniford at the Derby (S) (2.30, 3.30 races; 4.02 Sports Desk). 4.05 David Hamilton (S) (5.05, 6.02 Sports Desk). 6.05 John Dunn (S) (6.45 Sport and Classified Results; 7.30 Cricket Scores). 8.00 Cast, in Order of Disappearance. 8.30 BBC Radio Orchestra (S). 9.15 Syd Lawrence in Concert (S). 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Golden Years. 10.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 11.00 Athletics Report. 11.15 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight. 1.00 Patrick Lunt (S) presents Nightride. 3.00 The Mike Sammes Singers (S). 3.30-4.00 Maryetta and Vernon Midgley (S).

3 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Your Midweek Choice (S) Nielsen, Delibes arr. Dohnanyi,

Bach, Copland (8.00 News) Paganini, Beethoven, Fasch, Beratt, Rouget de Lisle, arr. Berlioz. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (S) Vaughan Williams; records. 10.00 Verdi, Britten and Puccini (S) Orchestral music. 10.35 Scandinavian Piano Music (S) Nielsen, Larsson, Gunnar de Frumerie. 11.05 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra (S) Johann Strauss, Offenbach, Lehar, Suppe. 12.15 Concert Hall (S) Brahms, Mozart, Milhaud, Harry Somers, Murray Adakins. 1.00 News. 1.05 The Modern Jazz Quartet (S). 1.30 Matinee Musicale (S) Weber, Shostakovich, Arnold, Johann Strauss, Khachaturian. 2.30 Nash Ensemble (S) Ravel, Bartok. 3.20 Grieg (S). 4.00 Choral Evensong (S). 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure (S). 6.30 Emil Von Sauer (S) Piano recital: Liszt, Sauer. 7.00 A Genius for Routine. 7.30 Bath Festival 1984 (S) Haydn, Mozart (8.25-8.45 Six Continents) Schubert. 9.45 My Merry Mornings. 10.05 Mozart and Henze (S) Orchestral music. 11.15-11.18 News.

4 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today, including (6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News

Summary; 6.45 Prayer for the Day; 6.55, 7.55 Weather; 7.00, 8.00 News; 7.25, 8.25 Sport; 7.45 Thought for the Day; 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament; 8.57 Weather; Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Midweek: Libby Purves (S). 10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. 10.30 Morning Story: *The Hitch-Hiker*. 10.45 Daily Service. 11.00 News; Travel; Vrystaatl! 11.48 Just Like You and Me. 12.00 News; You and Yours. 12.27 Deep Six (S). 12.55 Weather; Programme News. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. 3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre (S) *Prodigal*. 3.47 In the Family. 4.00 News; File on 4. 4.40 Story Time: *Laughing Gas*. 5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News. 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 My Music (S). 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Checkpoint. 7.45 D-Day: 6 June 1944. 9.15 Analysis. 10.00 Kaleidoscope. 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: *Falls the Shadow*. 10.30 The World Tonight (11.00 News Headlines). 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping forecast.

ROUND THE REGIONS

TYNE TEES

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 North East News. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.20 North East News; 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs Are). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Madabout. 5.45 News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten; North East News. 10.42 Nan Red. 11.40 That Girl. 12.10 Epilogue; Closedown.

CENTRAL

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.15-1.25 Central News). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 The Beverley Hillbillies. 5.45 News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.40 Nan Red. 11.40 Mannix. 12.40 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Regional Weather Forecast. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus

Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.15-1.25 Calendar News; Weather). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 The Protectors. 5.45 News. 6.00 Calendar; Weather. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten. 10.40 Nan Red. 11.40 Barney Miller. 12.10 Closedown.

TSW

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.15-1.25 TSW News Headlines). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.20 Crossroads. 5.45 News. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Just Our Luck. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten; TSW Late News; Weather. 10.44 Nan Red. 11.40 Darkroom. 12.20 Postscript; South West Weather; Shipping Forecast; Closedown.

TVS

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.25 Farming Brief. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News; 1.15-1.25 TVS News). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 The Young Doctors. 5.45 News. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.35

Crossroads. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten; TVS News. 10.40 Nan Red. 11.40 Portrait of a Legend. 12.10 Company; Closedown.

HTV

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.15-1.25 HTV News). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Different Strokes. 5.45 News. 6.00 HTV News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten; HTV News. 10.40 Nan Red. 11.40 QED. 12.40 Weather; Closedown.

HTV CYMRU: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

ANGLIA

6.25 Good Morning Britain. 9.30 For Schools. 12.00 D-Day Plus Forty (1.00 News at One; 1.20-1.25 Anglia News; Weather). 2.45 The Derby. 4.00 Atarah's Music. 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Andy Robson. 4.50 Razzmatazz. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 D-Day Plus Forty. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Jim Davidson's Special. 9.00 Sorrell and Son. 10.00 News at Ten; Anglia Late News; Weather. 10.40 Nan Red. 11.40 Portrait of a Legend. 12.10 Epilogue; Closedown.

Tennis from Stade Roland Garros, Paris

Lendl smiles and wins the match

YOUNGSTERS have continued to swarm around the players' entrance here at the Stade Roland Garros this week.

Despite the rain and indifferent weather conditions, they clambered around the picturesque stadium in an attempt to get a fleeting glimpse of their hero.

'Which one is Lendl?' one youngster cried out on Monday in an effort to identify his idol.

The answer came back very quickly from one of those burly, broody commissionaires. 'There is no way you can miss him,' said this 'keeper of the castle'.

'He is the one that never smiles.'

This Frenchman's comment was, in many ways, very apt.

I've watched Lendl play tennis for three or four years now, and the number of times I have seen him relax — or smile! — can be counted on one hand.

Prefer

In many countries youngsters prefer that 'prince of petulance' John McEnroe, even more than Lendl.

At least McEnroe smiles now and then — and he's also been known to crack a joke or two at press conferences.

These confrontations with the press seem to be a nightmare for Lendl. He would rather go five sets with the best player in the world than face the media.

His after-match meetings with the media usually end up with questions being answered in



News Line's Matthew Nugent 'confronts' the French Open No.2 seed Ivan Lendl — and loses in straight sets!

the singular — 'Yes', 'No', 'Maybe', or 'I'm not too sure'.

Lendl has to be the most introverted player, in many ways, on the professional tennis circuit.

However, like McEnroe, he doesn't bear fools. Be it at your own risk to take him on — head to head — in a duel of words.

Having not 'played' a match at Roland Garros this week, I felt relaxed — and ready — to take on 'Stoneface'.

Worried

The 'venue' wasn't centre court, but I was just as worried as any of his opponents in the past eight days.

With my 'graphite' pencil at the ready, I got in what I thought was a great 'first serve'.

'Ivan, you have played extremely well so far at this tournament but is it all going to end in misery again? After all, you have been through three Grand Slam finals and you seem to have let yourself down after wonderful tournaments.'

Lendl, flexing his muscles for a 'cross court return', replied: 'To me those results are history. In tennis these days you're only as good as the result in your last tournament.'

'Those set-backs are now but memories for me.'

The tall, dark-haired **IVAN LENDL**

Czech Lendl had won the first point easily. 'OK, Ivan, but what of success here at Roland Garros this year?'

'I feel I'm playing well. The matches I have played so far have gone according to plan and I'm looking forward to my

match with Andres (Gomez). I never look further than the next match in any tournament. You should know that by now.'

Struggling, with my serve, back-hand, fore-hand, and every other facet of my game plan — I went for Lendl's jugular vein.

'So, say you get to the final, Ivan, do you think you can actually do it this time? I mean in a major Grand Slam tournament.'

'I've gone into Grand Slam tournaments before with a very good record behind me,' Lendl said.

'This year, coming into France, it has not been so good.'

'OK, so I'm seeded to meet McEnroe in the final on Sunday, but many things can happen between now and then. However, I feel there is less pressure on me this time.'

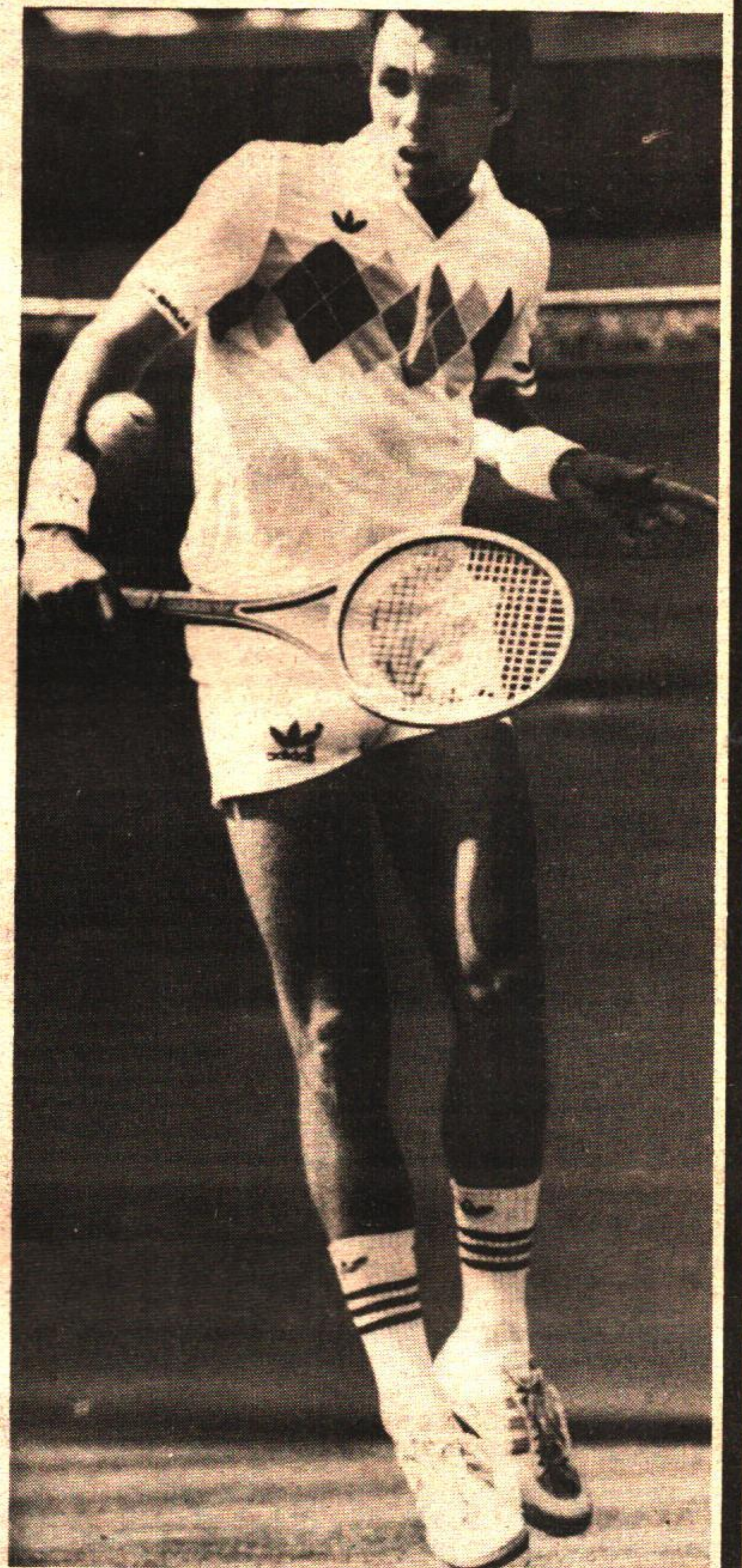
Pressure

'Most of the pressure is on Yannick (Noah). Every match he plays here is a sell-out on centre court because he is a Frenchman and won the title last year.'

'Not too many people are expecting me to do well in that respect. Maybe this will be my year — but it will take a super-human effort to beat John McEnroe the way he is playing.'

Lendl had me struggling. It was time for me to pull out the big one. Despite 'the glare of cameras behind me', I wound myself up and let fly.

'So, Ivan, what has really happened to you in Grand Slam finals? You should have beaten Mats



Defensive stance by the Czech no.2 seed Ivan Lendl

Wilander on grass in the Australian Open last December — and maybe even Jimmy Connors in the US Open. What is the problem?'

Lendl smiled.

As my 'ace' bounced perfectly in his 'court' — the gleam of his brilliant white teeth put me off balance.

It was definitely the smile that did it.

'It happens you know. They make a lot of my losing Grand Slam finals. They think that I will go down in tennis history as

one of those great players who never won a major tournament. But I'm sure my day will come. Maybe Paris 84 will be that time.'

'But it happens to all players. You play well all the way through a tournament and fall on the final day. It just so happens that it has affected me that way on occasions.'

Lendl smiled AGAIN — game, set, and match to the Czech.

I just wish some of his fans had been there to capture those rare smiles. It would have made their day.

RIPON

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: M Birch 38, T Ives 19, E Hide 16, G Duffield 15, P Robinson 14, J Lowe 11, J Bleasdale 10, E Johnson 10, L Charnock 9, K Hodgson 8, M Miller 8.
TRAINERS: M H Easterby 35, D Smith 13, J W Watts 11, R Armstrong 10, M W Easterby 9, M Stoute 9, R Hollinshead 9, F Durr 8, J Fitzgerald 8, Sally Hall 7, P Kelleway 7.
DRAW: Little significance.

7.00 SAPPER STAKES £1,500

(2-Y-O) 6f (17 runners)		
1 (4)	1 GREAT REEF (D) R Sheather 93	R Cochrane
5 (7)	001 PECKITTS WELL M W Easterby 90	K Hodgson
6 (1)	1 WORKADAY C W Gray 90	O Gray
9 (11)	0 BALLI SPRINGS M H Easterby 811	M Birch
10 (14)	0 BONNY PRINCE IVOR P Calver 811	M Beecroft
12 (8)	0 COMRADE KEMPINSKI S Norton 811	J Lowe
15 (17)	0 FREE PERCH W Wharton 811	W Wharton
16 (15)	0 GLEN-ROY-BOY F Carr 811	C Dwyer
17 (16)	3 GREEMONT (USA) (BF) J W Watts 811	N Connorton
19 (5)	0 HOBBOURNESS J Wilson 811	M Wigham
20 (10)	0 HOMBRE C Thornton 811	J Bleasdale
22 (13)	0 MY FIRST BILLION J Berry 811	K Darley
23 (9)	0 NORTHERN RULER Denys Smith 811	M Fry
28 (2)	0 PENANCE PIRATE C Brittain 811	G Sexton
29 (6)	0 ROYBROOK W Haigh 811	T Ives
33 (3)	000 CANDY ROSE P Kelleway 88	Gay Kelleway (5)
36 (12)	0 RALLUME M Lambert 88	D Oldham

PROBABLE SP: 5-2 Great Reef, 7-2 Workaday, 4-1 Greemont, 6-1 Peckitts Well, 8-1 Hombre, 10-1 Balli Springs, 12-1 Candy Rose, 14-1 others.

7.25 CLARO SELLING HANDICAP £1,500

(3-Y-O) 6f (13 runners)		
3 (5)	000-00 TOPSOLA R Hollinshead 97	S Perks
4 (12)	00-0204 DADDY'S PLEASURE (BF) P Brookshaw 96	M Miller
5 (1)	3420-00 BROON'S LADY (D) G Lockerbie 92	K Hodgson
6 (7)	040-002 FIGHTING JIMMY (BF) D A Wilson 91	M Rimmer

7 (8)	04-0000 RICHARD'S RETURN Hbt Jones 813	K Darley
8 (4)	000-0 CROSBY LOVE E J Carr 813	G Oldroyd
9 (13)	0000-00 JUST A THOUGHT M H Easterby 813	M Birch
10 (10)	00000-0 PETER'S KIDDIE K A Morgan 813	P Bradwell
12 (6)	004040 RETURN-TO-JALNA E Alston 811	L Charnock
14 (2)	00-0000 HUYTON'S HOPE T Taylor 811	
15 (3)	0-00000 LITTLE WIZARD Mrs M Nesbitt 810	N Connorton
17 (9)	000-004 GODS LAW A Smith 87	M Wigham
18 (11)	0-000 HOME AND TRADE B McMahon 82	A Mackay

BLINKERS: 7, 10, 15, 17, 18
PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Fighting Jimmy, 4-1 Daddy's Pleasure, 5-1 Topsiola and Just A Thought, 7-1 Gods Law, 10-1 Broon's Lady and Crosby Love, 12-1 others.

7.50 FREEDOM OF CITY OF RIPON H'CAP £3,500

1m 2f (10 runners)		
1 (4)	200-020 GRAND UNIT (D) E Eldin 6911	E Guest (5)
2 (7)	000-000 KAMIR (FR) A Jarvis 4813	J Lowe
3 (10)	00321-0 SINGING HIGH (C) J Fitzgerald 4813	E Hide
4 (6)	400-014 FLYING SCOTSMAN (DEN) (D) R Hollinshead 4813	W Ryan (5)
5 (9)	3-02020 MARSHALLA J Wilson 4811	K Darley
7 (3)	210043 MAJESTIC PRINCE (D) M Ryan 587	T Ives
8 (2)	0-00000 MAJESTIC STAR Miss S Morris 787	N Howe
9 (5)	2031-21 SCOUTSMISTAKE (D) B McMahon 586 (5 ex)	A Mackay
10 (1)	014-404 KUWAIT PALACE G Huffer 381	M Miller
11 (8)	041301 MUSIC WONDER D Plant 379	M Fry

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Qualitair Prince, 3-1 Scoutsmistake, 5-1 Grand Unit, 6-1 Kuwait Palace, 8-1 Music Wonder, 12-1 Singing High, 14-1 others.

8.20 DEVERELL STAKES £1,500

(2-Y-O) 5f (10 runners)		
1 (5)	000214 PHILIP (D) N Tinkler 97	E Hide
4 (9)	13 MONTAGU MISS (D) Mrs M Nesbitt 88	M Birch
5 (3)	0 BABY SAGO J Parks 86	S Webster
6 (8)	32 HALYCON COVE A Bailey 86	P Bloomfield (5)
8 (2)	0 OWEN'S PRIDE D Plant 86	B Coogan
9 (4)	0 QUALITAIR BOY K Stone 86	C Dwyer
10 (1)	RESTORATION A Jarvis 86	J Lowe

13 (6)	41 TIMEWASTER (D) J Berry 97	K Darley
14 (10)	32 KAKISA M Camacho 83	N Connorton
15 (7)	0 MA GIGI Hbt Jones 83	

BLINKERS: 1
PROBABLE SP: 9-4 Kakisa, 100-30 Philip, 9-2 Timewaster, 6-1 Halycon Cove, 8-1 Restoration, 10-1 Montagu Miss, 12-1 others.

8.50 PRINCESS ROYAL HANDICAP £2,500

(3-Y-O) 1m (12 runners)		
4 (8)	00-3000 SINGING BOY C Spares 97	K Willey (5)
5 (12)	00-200 MARSHALDIRECTORY A Jarvis 97	T Jarvis (5)
6 (3)	400-022 YOUNG KNIGHT M H Easterby 96	M Birch
12 (6)	0000-00 ROCABAY BLUE M Camacho 92	G Sexton
13 (10)	3440-0 OVER BOWLED J W Watts 92	N Connorton
14 (4)	4004-00 FILLE DE BOURBON D Laing 91	R Cochrane
15 (11)	0000-00 UP BROADWAY (USA) R Armstrong 813	
17 (5)	2000-24 RIEVAUX RAVEN W Wharton 813	W Ryan (5)
19 (7)	43000-0 FOZZE G Huffer 810	
20 (1)	000-001 AIREDALE TRAVEL (D) M W Easterby 810 (5 ex)	M Hindley (5)
21 (9)	0000- MINNIE FULLER E Incisa 89	Tiziana Sozzi
22 (2)	0000-02 CAPTAIN TOMBIE Miss S Hall 712	

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Airedale Travel, 3-1 Young Knight, 9-2 Marshaldirectory, 6-1 Captain Tombie, 8-1 Fozze, 10-1 Over Bowled, 12-1 others.

9.20 UBIQUE STAKES £1,500

1m 2f (7 runners)		
1 (5)	00/ GALLANT NATIVE W G Morris 493	W Morris (7)
11 (1)	0 OLD ALEX C Brittain 383	T Ives
12 (7)	00-304 PATER (USA) W Elsey 383	D Nicholls
14 (6)	0 RANCHER C Thornton 383	A Mills
20 (4)	0 PUEBLO C Thornton 380	J Bleasdale
21 (3)	040 SMOKE CREEK G Wragg 380	B Crossley
22 (2)	0400 THATCHOVA T Barron 380	M Fry

BLINKERS: 1
PROBABLE SP: 13-8 Smoke Creek, 5-2 Old Alex, 4-1 Patter, 7-1 Pueblo, 8-1 Thatchova, 14-1 Rancher, 20-1 Gallant Native.

IT'S EPSOM DERBY

THE EPSOM DERBY

EPSOM 3.30 — Channel 4

(3-Y-O) — 1m 4f — 17 runners — £227,680 to winner

1 (15)	311-11	ALPHABATIM (USA)(D)	G Harwood 90	L Piggott
		(Green, pink cap and sash, white sleeves)		
2 (9)	12-23	AT TALAQ (USA)	Thomson Jones 90	R Hills
		(Royal blue, white epaulets, striped cap)		
3 (17)	04-3134	CATALDI	G Harwood 90	A Clark
		(Green, pink sash, white sleeves and white cap)		
4 (16)	1-11	CLAUDE MONET (USA)	H Cecil 90	S Cauthen
		(Royal blue, light blue epaulets and cap)		
8 (13)	1241-00	ELEGANT AIR	I Balding 90	B Raymond
		(Black, gold cross and stripe on cap)		
9 (10)	1111-11	EL GRAN SENOR (USA)	M V O'Brien (IRE) 90	Pat Eddery
		(Emerald green, royal blue sleeves, white cap green spots)		
12 (2)	23-41	ILIUM (D)	Thomson Jones 90	A Murray
		(White, maroon braces and cap)		
13 (5)	33-31	KAYTU	W Hern 90	W Carson
		(Yellow, red seams, red cap)		
14 (7)	210	LONG POND	P Kelleway 90	G Duffield
		(Yellow, green star, red and white quartered cap)		
15 (6)	0-01	MIGHTY FLUTTER	D Elsworth 90	B Rouse
		(Black and yellow diamonds, black collar, red and yellow hooped cap)		
16 (4)	4212-4	MY VOLGA BOATMAN (USA)	M Stoute 90	W R Swinburn
		(White, scarlet 'V' and cap)		
17 (1)	12020D	NORTHERN FRED (USA)	C Milbank (FR) 90	G Moore
		(Red, green sleeves, black cap, red hoop)		
18 (18)	01-30	PIGWIDGEON (USA)	G Harwood 90	G Starkey
		(Brown, yellow collar and cap, halved sleeves)		
19 (3)	00-030	SASSANOCO	Thomson Jones 90	T Rogers
		(White, maroon braces, hooped cap)		
20 (14)	1-13	SECRETO (USA)	D V O'Brien (IRE) 90	C Roche
		(Yellow, blue diamonds, white cap with blue spots)		
21 (11)	420-0	SHEER HEIGHTS	P Cole 90	T Quinn
		(Dark green)		
22 (8)	13-30	TELIOS	B Hobbs 90	G Baxter
		(Black, white spots on body and sleeves)		

1983: Teenoso (USA) 9 0 L Piggott 9-2 fav G Wragg 21 ran

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 on El Gran Senor, 7-2 Alhabatim, 12-1 Kaytu, 14-1 Secreto and Claude Monet, 16-1 Ilium, 40-1 My Volga Boatman and Elegant Air, 66-1 Mighty Flutter and Northern Fred, 100-1 others.

EL GRAN SENOR — O'Brien knows best

STAMINA, like elastic, will only stretch so far, and the racing world's most valuable piece of elastic goes on trial in the Epsom derby this afternoon.

Since El Gran Senor won the 2,000 Guineas in breath-taking style at Newmarket last month, his prospects of staying a mile and a half on the Downs have been argued by every commentator.

Clearly only the two and a half minutes or so of the race will tell the whole truth, but perhaps the best indication is that he's here.

If Vincent O'Brien, who with six previous Derby winners to his name can be expected to know an Epsom horse when he sees one, didn't think that El Gran Senor had sufficient stamina he wouldn't be in the line-up in the first place.

His form stands up to the closest scrutiny, and his win in one of the most hotly-contested 2000 Guineas of recent years suggested that he could be something very much out of the ordinary.

He settled the opposition in a matter of strides, quickly putting daylight between himself and his struggling rivals to beat Chief Singer by two and a half lengths with Lear Fan another four

lengths back in third.

The most encouraging aspect of that victory, in terms of the Derby, was the way El Gran Senor relaxed throughout the proceedings. He was unmoved by the preliminaries, and settled in the race without turning a hair.

Pat Eddery, twice successful in the Derby on Grundy and Golden Fleece, is likely to hold him up early on and then try to use his scintillating acceleration to decide the issue in the closing stages.

We won't get rich backing him at his current price, but it's always good to see a champion in action, and El Gran Senor could be just that.

Although it would be an over-simplification to ask what will finish second to the Senor, it is difficult to see him being beaten.

Greville Starkey's noble gesture in standing down to let Lester Piggott partner Alhabatim has sparked a flood of ante-post betting on the colt, unbeaten in two Derby trials this season.

Piggott's Epsom genius — he has ridden a record nine Derby winners — will ensure that Alhabatim is always in the ideal position, but the combination may be beaten for speed by the favourite.

An interesting candidate is Secreto, trained by O'Brien's son David.

Victory would be a perfect wedding present for the recently-married O'Brien junior, and Secreto is no forlorn hope.

He was a good third to Sadler's Wells in the Irish 2000 Guineas, and will be suited by this trip. But, not for the first time, it looks as though father will have the last word.

The Pacemaker Diomed Stakes should go to Henry Cecil's Adonijah (2.00) whose chance will have been even further enhanced by the heavy rain of the last 24 hours.

The four-year-old was most impressive when landing the Brigadier Gerard Stakes at Sandown last week, hitting the front two furlongs out and drawing away steadily to win by eight lengths from Erin's Hope.

He had earlier just been beaten by Morcon at Goodwood, but was considered by his trainer to be just in need of the race that day.

Michael Stoute has his string in tremendous form at the moment, and can continue his good run through Steeple Bell (5.20) in the Craven Handicap.

The eight-year-old was beaten only a length into third place by Teleprompter at York last time, in a race run in record time.

Two Newmarket challengers, Sakr (2.15) and Majestic Peace (4.15) look the best bets at CARLISLE.

EPSOM Channel 4 2.00, 2.30, 4.20

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: L Piggott 36, W Carson 36, S Cauthen 23, G Starkey 22, Pat Eddery 17, P Cook 15, B Rouse 11, J Mercer 10, P Waldron 10, G Baxter 8, B Crossley 7, W Swinburn 7.
TRAINERS: B Hills 18, J Dunlop 16, C Brittain 13, M Stoute 13, R Smyth 12, G Lewis 11, P Walwyn 11, H Cecil 10, B Swift 9, I Balding 8, A Pitt 7, J Sutcliffe 7.
DRAW: Little significance in itself, but look for quick breakers from stalls over 5 furlong course.

2.00 PACEMAKER DIOMED STAKES Group 3 £25,000

1 (5)	1304-00	MONTEKIN	J Dunlop 5 9 11	B Rouse
2 (4)	20-2321	ADONIJAH	H Cecil 4 9 9	L Piggott
5 (7)	00-0423	WELSH IDOL	P Kelleway 4 9 3	G Duffield
6 (1)	343100	HARVARD	R Boss 3 8 6	Pat Eddery
7 (6)	0110-41	LUCKY SCOTT	P Cole 3 8 6	S Cauthen
11 (3)	334-331	FALSTAFF (USA)	M Stoute 3 8 3	W R Swinburn
12 (2)	011	PREMIER COUP (USA)(C)	G Lewis 3 8 3	P Waldron

PROBABLE SP: 5-4 Adonijah, 4-1 Welsh Idol, 5-1 Montekin, 7-1 Premier Coup, 12-1 Lucky Scott, 14-1 Falstaff, 20-1 Harvard.

2.30 DAILY MIRROR HANDICAP £12,000

1 (6)	1/0104-0	CANNON KING (C-D)	J Dunlop 8 10 0	Pat Eddery
2 (1)	121-104	SPANISH PLACE (USA)	B Hills 4 9 9	S Cauthen
3 (10)	40-3410	SOLDIER ANT (D)	C Brittain 4 9 3 (5 ex)	L Piggott
4 (7)	00-0103	FLORIDA SON (C-D)	J Hanson 5 8 5	B Raymond
5 (4)	44-0221	BASIL BOY	R Hannan 5 7 13	W Carson
6 (3)	3-00123	MY TONY (C-D)	G Lewis 4 7 11	M L Thomas
7 (9)	2400-04	EQUANAID	C Nelson 4 7 10	M Hills
8 (2)	100-000	RIDGEFIELD (D)	D Thom 6 7 7	P Robinson
9 (8)	21-4400	NO-U-TURN (D)	S Mellor 6 7 7	D McKay
10 (5)	00-4000	REDDEN (C)(D)	B Swift 6 7 7	R Fox

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Basil Boy, 7-2 Soldier Ant, 9-2 Spanish Place, 11-2 My Tony, 7-1 Equanaid, 9-1 Cannon King, 12-1 Florida Son, 16-1 others.

4.20 WOODCOTE STAKES £5,000

1 (2)	04311	JOLLY BUSINESS	A Ingham 9 0	L Piggott
2 (4)	31	PENNINE WALK	J Tree 9 0	Pat Eddery
3 (5)	11223	PERSIAN PLEASURE (BF)	R Boss 9 0	W R Swinburn
4 (1)	211	RUN WITH THE WIND	R Hannan 9 0	S Cauthen
7 (3)	02201	GWIFFINA (D)	Mrs J Reavey 8 11	G Starkey

PROBABLE SP: 7-4 Jolly Business, 5-2 Pennine Walk, 7-2 Run With The Wind, 13-2 Gwiffina, 8-1 Persian Pleasure.

4.50 GREAT SURREY STAKES £5,000

1 (2)	122211	ABSENT CHIMES (D)	D Thom 9 3	P Robinson
2 (3)	21	KIESERITSKY (USA)(D)	R Armstrong 9 0	S Cauthen
4 (4)	12	EAGLE'S LANDED (USA)(D)	M Jarvis 8 11	B Raymond
6 (5)	21	STANDING ORDER (D)	B Hannan 8 11	L Piggott
7 (1)	01	TRULY GREAT (D)	R Smyth 8 11	P Waldron

PROBABLE SP: 13-8 Absent Chimes, 11-4 Standing Order, 9-2 Kieseritsky, 11-2 Eagle's Landed, 6-1 Truly Great.

5.20 CRAVEN HANDICAP £8,000

1 (8)	1334-20	DOC MARTEN	A Hide 6 9 10	A Murray
2 (5)	03-0220	PIENCOURT (C)	C Austin 6 9 9	B Rouse
3 (10)	10210-1	ALL IS FORGIVEN	D Thom 4 9 8	P Robinson
4 (1)	1141-01	PETONG	M Jarvis 4 9 2	B Raymond
5 (13)	0101-03	STEEPLE BELL (C-D)	M Stoute 8 9 0	K Bradshaw (5)
6 (3)	204-002	MILK HEART (C)(BF)	G Lewis 5 8 13	L Piggott
8 (6)	31-4010	AMARONE (D)	R Simpson 4 8 8	J Reid
9 (7)	00-0030	COME ON THE BLUES (D)	C Brittain 5 8 7	W Carson
10 (12)	0111-00	BOEZINGE	R Smyth 3 8 6	Pat Eddery
11 (4)	0000-00	PAPERETTO (D)	B Hills 5 8 0	M Hills
15 (14)	0-40301	SWINGING REBEL (D)	N Vigors 6 7 9	T Williams (5)
16 (2)	020-00	RUNAWAY LOVER	R Hannan 3 7 7	A McGlone
17 (11)	30040-2	GRAND HARBOUR	L Cottrell 4 7 7	R Hills
19 (9)	2403-01	TREE FELLA	C Crossley 7 7 7 (6 ex)	

BLINKERS: 3, 9, 15, 16

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Petong, 9-2 Steeple Bell, 6-1 All Is Forgiven and Milk Heart, 8-1 Grand Harbour, 10-1 Tree Fella and Swinging Rebel, 12-1 Piencourt, 14-1 Boezinge, 16-1 others.

RESULTS

BEVERLEY

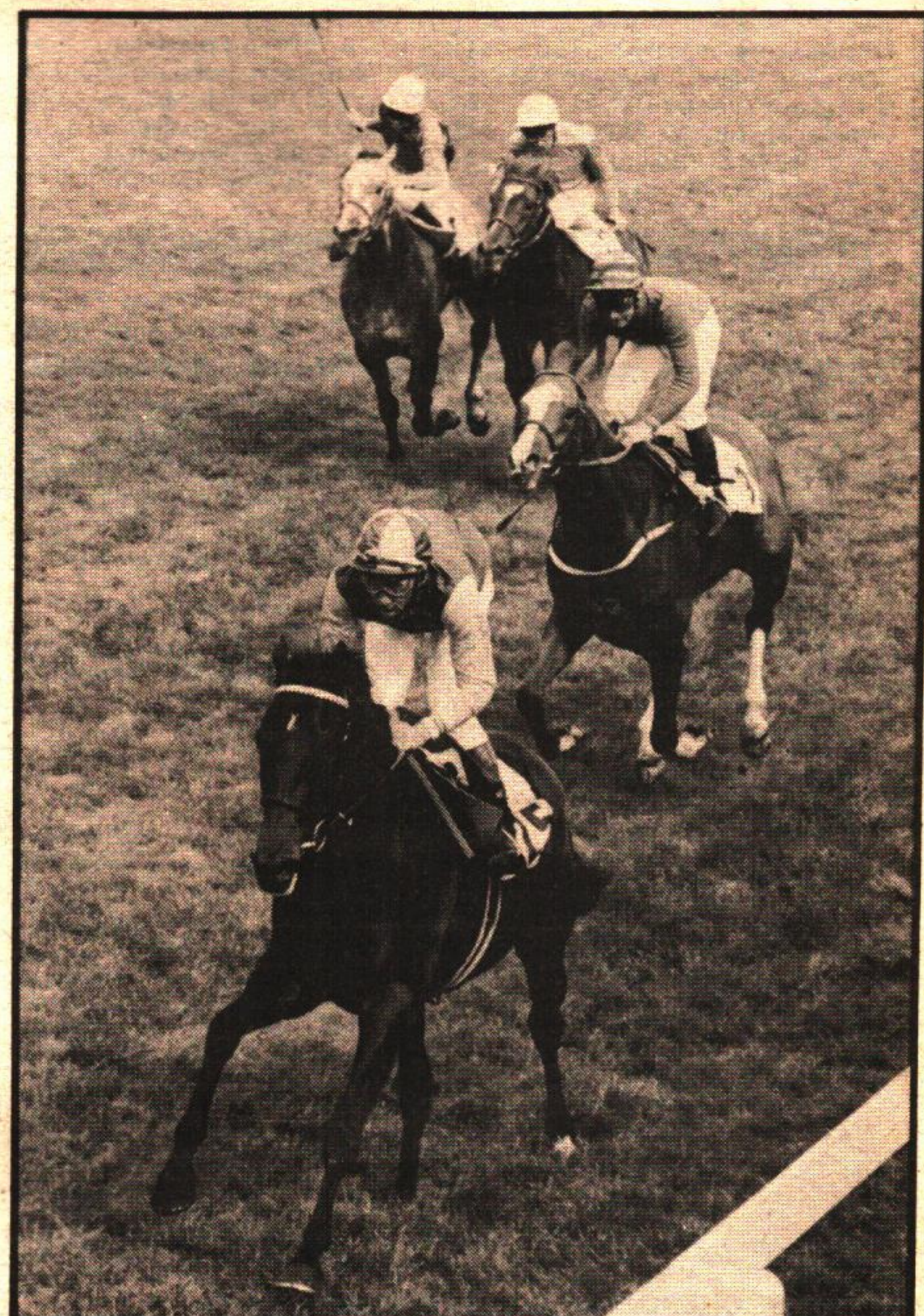
2.15 (5): MAUNDY GIFT W Wharton (12-1); Parade Girl (6-1); Just A Bit (6-1); Path Over The Moor (20-1); 4.17 ran, 1, 2. (W Wharton) T: £9.00; £2.20, £4.80, £5.50. CSF: £94.39.
2.45 (7): SHARP REMARK W R Swinburn (4-1); Grey Charm (25-1); Nice One Andy (11-4 fav); Bachaga (5-1); 4.13 ran, 14, Sh hd. (B Hannan) T: £3.10; £1.0, £7.70, £1.40. CSF: £94.11.
3.15 (1m 4f): MEIKLEOUR W R Swinburn (5-2 fav); Alfie Dickens (11-1); 2. Sweetheart (10-1); Coffee House (4-1); 4.14 ran, 2 1/2, 1 1/2. (J Fitzgerald) T: £3.40; £2.00, £1.40, £3.40. CSF: £30.01.
3.45 (5f): STAMPEL GROUND T lves (7-4 fav); Brampton Grace (4-1); 2. Cock-A-Snook (10-1); Maygreen (20-1); 4. 8 ran, 1/2, nk. (W O'Gorman) T: £2.30; £1.10, £1.60, £1.80. CSF: £9.24.
4.15 (1m): FENCHURCH M Birch (15-8 fav); 1. Michael's Revenge (6-1); 2. Gulf-

land (3-1); 3. Empress Corina (7-1); 4. 12 ran, 2 1/2, 4. (M H Easterby) T: £2.90; £1.50, £1.80, £1.60. CSF: £14.56.
4.45 (1m 2f): ARDERELLE C Dwyer (14-1); Flaming Pearl (10-1); Jersey Lily (7-1); 3. Apalial (2-1); 4. 12 ran, 7, 3/4. (W Elseby) T: £18.80; £3.70, £3.10, £2.10. CSF: £144.34.
5.10 (1m): BALAASH (4-1); 1. Cabelleros (7-1); 2. Thank You Fans (5-2 fav); 3. Bob-Double (7-1); 4. 11 ran, 5, hd. (J Hindley) T: £5.40; £1.70, £1.30, £2.80. CSF: £32.87.
5.35 (1m 2f): SWISS FRANC SWEETY M Hindley (33-1); Amalee (4-1); 2. Gainsborough Lady (25-1); 3. Sidorenko (10-1); 4. 12 ran, 4, 1/2. (M W Easterby) T: £20.80; £3.10, £3.10, £1.50. CSF: £153.45.

SALISBURY

2.00 (7f): HOPEFUL WATERS W Carson (5-1 fav); 1. Freebie (8-1); 2. Kwa Zulu (8-1); 3. Dame Peggy (10-1); 4. 20 ran, 1, 3. (J Spearing) T: £2.90; £1.10, £1.40, £1.70. CSF: £39.34. Boas Festas f'shd 8f but disqualified.
2.30 (6f): ALAKH Pat Eddery (7-2 fav); 1. Al Amed (15-2); 2. Dawn's Delight (11-2); 3. Young Inca (7-1); 4. 14 ran, 2, 2. (J Tree) T: £3.30; £1.10, £2.30, £2. CSF: £30.35.
3.00 (1m 2f): FOLLOW THE STARS S Cauthen (6-1); 1. Music City (10-1); 2. Zaytoon (9-4 fav); 3. Averon (16-1); 4. 13 ran, 1, sh hd. (D Elsworth) T: £5; £2, £2.30, £1.10. CSF: £63.60. NR: General Anders.
3.30 (1m): PORTLAW Pat Eddery (9-2); 1. Kings Island (16-1); 2. Shaula (16-1); 3. Imperial Salute (8-1); 4. 16 ran, hd, 1. (J Tree) T: £3.20; £1.30, £6.60, £3.30, £1.50. CSF: £69.67. NR: Talk of Glory and Linga Longa.
4.00 (5f): DEVON DEFENDER R Fox

(12-1); 1. Adagio (10-1); 2. Kiri (10-1); 3. Nult d'Ete (3-1 fav); 4. 21 ran, nk, hd. (D Elsworth) T: £19.90; £3.60, £3.20, £2.10. CSF: £118.45. NR: Morsgail and Mrs Sauga.
4.30 (1m 4f): LYKAION Pat Eddery (11-2); 1. Broadleaf (33-1); 2. Whispering Grass (14-1); 3. Participation (16-1); 4. 15 ran, 1 1/2, 1/2. (J Tree) T: £7.40; £1.80, £6.10, £5.50. CSF: £168.10.



TEENOSO and maestro Piggott slam Carlingford Castle by three lengths last year, with Shearwalk and Salmon Leap a further three lengths back

DAY TODAY

A pin-sticker's guide



LESTER PIGGOTT aboard Teenoso just before going to post last year. Today, however, Pat Eddery has the prize mount on El Gran Senor

ALPHABATIM (4-1) An alpha-bet worth studying, particularly now that nine-times Derby winner Lester Piggott rides. Won the valuable Futurity Stakes last season and has landed important Derby trials at Sandown and Lingfield this year. Impossible not to feel sorry for sidelined Greville Starkey with Alphabatim the obvious danger to the favourite.

AT TALAQ (100-1) Newmarket trainer Harry Thomson Jones is three handed in the race and At Talaq will be partnered by Richard Hills. Has no realistic chance.

CATALDI (200-1) Tony Clark has the ride on Guy Harwood's third string, who should ensure a hot pace for stable companion at Alphabatim.

CLAUDE MONET (20-1) This Monet's no oil painting, but he's no fake either. Unimpressive to look at, but has won his three starts, most recently the prestigious Mecca-Dante Stakes at York. Didn't please everybody that day with his narrow victory, but trainer Henry Cecil considers he still has plenty of improve-

ment in him. The mount of Steve Cauthen, bidding to become the first American jockey since Frank O'Neill in 1920 to ride the winner of an Epsom Derby.

ELEGANT AIR (40-1) Has plenty of history to live up to, sired by one Derby winner, Shirley Heights, and carries the colours of another, Mill Reef, but has yet to show the ability of either although not beaten far by Claude Monet at York. He may need further than a mile and a half and a lack of top-class pace could prove his undoing.

EL GRAN SENOR (4-1) Short-priced favourite to say 'adios' to the opposition. Unbeaten in six starts, he gained a breathtaking success in the 2,000 Guineas last month and that form gives him an outstanding chance. He represents the Sangster-O'Brien-Eddery team, the most professional in the business, and providing the stays (the only doubt about him), is sure to be there at the finish.

ILIUM (14-1) Would be a dream winner for jockey Tony Murray. Mur-

ray quit riding last season, but has returned to join Newmarket-based Tom Jones, Ilium's trainer. The colt won comfortably at Goodwood last month, and is bred to stay the distance as he's by 1979 winner Troy (whose Latin name he carries). Improving, but may lack the necessary acceleration to make Murray's dream come true.

KAYTU (12-1) Bidding to give Dick Hern and Willie Carson their third Derby success in six years. Victory in the Chester Vase last month, often a sound Epsom pointer, suggests he is no forlorn hope, but has a bit to find, on form at least, to trouble the principals. Each-way interest only.

LONG POND (100-1) Just a drop in the Derby ocean. Won at Epsom earlier in the season so has some local knowledge in his favour, but despite the claims of his ever-optimistic trainer Paul Kelleway is likely to be nearer last than first.

MIGHTY FLUTTER (66-1) That's just what he'll be if he wins. Certain to

start at a big price and that's a fair reflection of his chance. Ridden by Brian Rouse.

MY VOLGA BOATMAN (33-1) Can this boatman successfully put his oar in? Probably not. Represents the Stoute-Swinburn team who won with the legendary Shergar, but there the similarity ends. Has won only a minor contest to date and has to improve substantially.

NORTHERN FRED (66-1) Almost a United Nations representative. Trained in Chantilly by English-born Charlie Milbank and ridden by Hong Kong-based Gary Moore, whose father George, an Australian, rode Royal Palace to win in 1967. Relegated to second after winning a valuable race in Italy last time, but nowhere near the French first team.

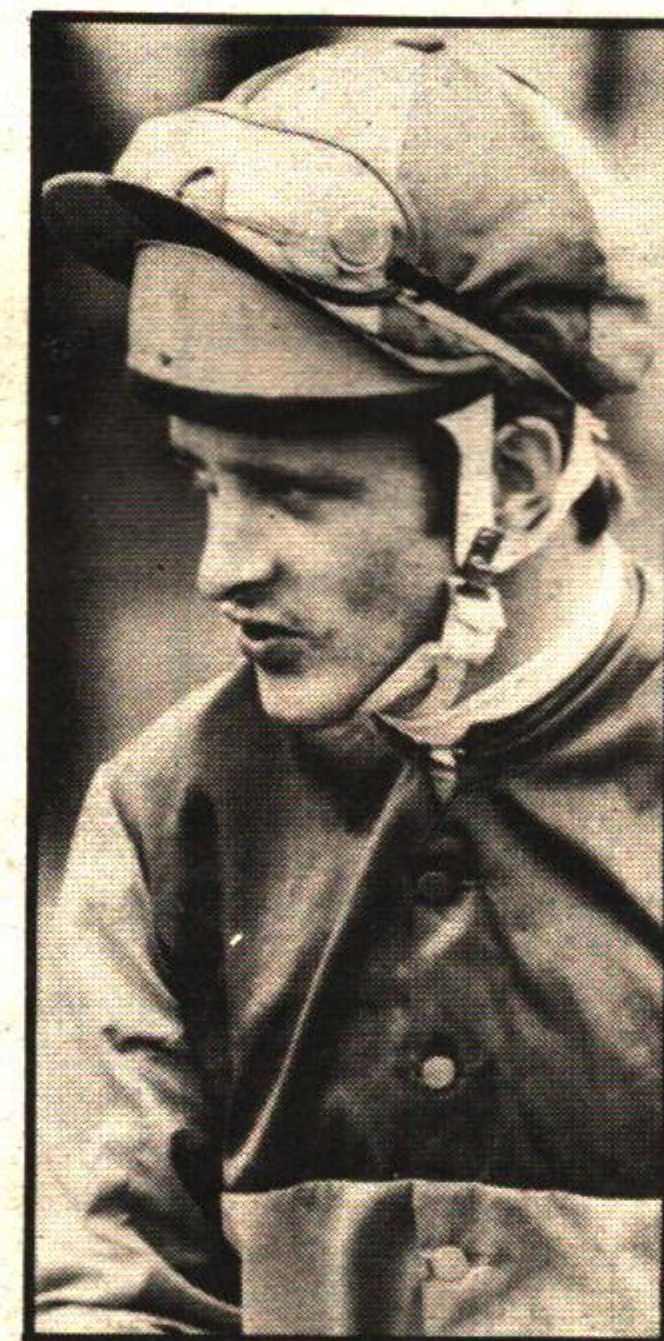
PIGWIDGEON (100-1) Second string from the Alphabatim stable, Pigwidgeon has run better this season than his odds here might suggest. Even so, it would take a vivid imagination to see him figuring at the finish.

SASSANOCO (500-1) Only running to make the pace for Ilium. Has no conceivable chance, and is almost certain to finish last.

SECRETO (20-1) Trained by David O'Brien, son of El Gran Senor's handler Vincent. O'Brien junior is no stranger to big race success, having won the French and Irish Derbys with Assent, and could have another money spinner on his hands with Secreto. Third to father's Sadler's Wells in the Irish 2,000 Guineas last time but will be better suited by this longer trip. An interesting prospect, but O'Brien senior should have the last word in this family duel.

SHEER HEIGHTS (100-1) Sheer surprise if this one's good enough. Could make a decent horse later in the season but has too much to do here. Young jockey Richard Quinn will enjoy the occasion though.

TELIOS (66-1) Impeccably-bred colt whose half-brother Tymanos gave veteran trainer Bruce Hobbs his only classic success when taking the Irish Sweeps Derby in 1980. Unlucky in running last time but his overall form offers little encouragement that he can add to the family laurels.



PAT EDDERY . . . Looking for Derby hat-trick

Wily O'Brien keeps Senor under wraps

A FULL-SCALE security net has been thrown around today's odds-on Derby favourite, El Gran Senor, the hottest property in European racing.

In a shock move, the Irish-trained colt, valued at \$80 million, failed to appear for the customary work-out over the Derby course at Epsom yesterday morning.

Instead, he remained in the heavily-guarded stable block away from sight.

While some of the other runners galloped around Tattenham Corner in rain to get a feel of the unique Surrey course, El Gran Senor remained tucked up in his blue and white blankets.

The horse briefly appeared later when the rain ceased to pose for hordes of waiting photographers and TV crews.

Casting an anxious eye at the grey sky, trainer Vincent O'Brien said: 'If the ground gets softer it will tax El Gran Senor's stamina a little more, but basically he acts on any ground. I'm confident he will win.'

'He did not gallop this morning because he did a final workout before leaving Ireland yesterday (Monday), a brief walk around the stable block is all he needed. He is very well and relaxed.'

Certainly the unbeaten colt looked magnificent as he posed for the equine portraitists, and his ice-cool temperament could be a major bonus in the hurly burly of the big race preliminaries this afternoon.

Record

Although O'Brien has saddled six Derby winners — requiring just one to equal the record — he admitted he is still getting nervous in the build-up to this, the richest-ever Derby worth £227,680 to the winning owner.

O'Brien repeated that although there had been talk of an \$80 million offer from a syndicate for his stable star, there is no question of any deal before the race itself.

'That's something for discussion afterwards, top colts are worth vast amounts these

days, the sky is the limit,' he added.

He considers the chief threat to El Gran Senor could come from Secreto, the first Epsom Derby runner from his son David.

Partnered by big race jockey Christie Roche, Secreto galloped round the track yesterday and it soon became clear that the Downs' gradients hold no terror for him.

Hopeful

Both Roche and O'Brien junior were delighted with the way the horse handled the track.

But another hopeful involved in preparation work, Creag-An-Sgor, nicked a hind leg after rounding Tattenham Corner and trainer Charlie Nelson withdrew him later in the day.

'Some inflammation has come up around the joint, and he will not be able to run tomorrow,' said Nelson.

Meanwhile, away from the spotlight on the gallops, Lester Piggott was getting to know his newly acquired ride Alphabatim in a quiet workout at Guy Harwood's stables 40 miles away in Sussex.

Racecourse staff were busy from first light preparing for the traditional vast invasion of 250,000 spectators expected to cram every vantage point on Epsom Downs today.

Some facts about the legend of the Epsom Derby

● THE Derby dates back to 1780, when the first winner was Sir Charles Bubury's Diomed. The race was run over One Mile until 1784.

● THE last three winners Shergar, Golden Fleece and Teenoso, have all started favourite. El Gran Senor is bidding to become the first horse to complete the 2,000 Guineas and Derby-double since Nijinsky in 1970.

● LESTER Piggott (Alphabatim) has the best record of all time in the Derby, having ridden nine winners of the classic. Those were, Never Say Die (1954), Crepello (1957), St Padry (1959), Sir Ivor (1968), Nijinsky (1970), Roberto (1972), Empery (1976), The Minstrel (1977) and Teenoso (1983).

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● OTHERS riding in the race with previous victories are Pat Eddery (El Gran Senor) — with Golden Fleece (1982) and Grundy (1975), Willie Carson (Kaytu) — with Troy (1979) and Henbit (1980), Walter Swinburn (My Volga Boatman) — with Shergar (1981) and Greville Starkey (Pigwidgeon) — with Shirley Heights (1978).

● THE last 100-1 winner was Aboyeur, who was awarded the race on the disqualification of Cragenour in 1913. Psidium at

66-1 was the longest priced post-war winner.

● THE winning owner will receive record prize money of £227,680 in this, the first-ever sponsored English Derby. Henbit's win in the 200th Derby in 1980 was worth £166,820, until today's record.

● IF El Gran Senor wins, Vincent O'Brien will equal the trainers' record of seven Derby victories held by Robert Robson, John Porter and Fred Darling.

● THE only losing odds-on favourite since the war was Tudor Minstrel, fourth at 4-7, in 1947.

CARLISLE

SIX-YEAR RECORD

JOCKEYS: G Duffield 24, J Lowe 21, M Birch 17, J Bleasdale 12, K Darley 9, M Wigham 8, K Hodgson 7, E Hide 6, N Connorton 5, C Dwyer 5, A Mercer 5, J Seagrave 5. TRAINERS: J W Watts 19, M Prescott 17, M H Easterby 14, S Norton 13, R Hollinshead 12, D Smith 8, J Berry 7, J Etherington 7, G Richards 7, E Weymes 6, C Thornton 5. DRAW: Little significance.

2.15 WASTWATER MAIDEN STAKES £500 (2-Y-O) 5f (7 runners)

5 (7) 0 HUNKY Denys Smith 90..... M Fry
9 (3) 0 MAZELTOV LINDA R Fisher 90..... M Birch
10 (6) 0 MOVING RIVER J Jefferson 90..... S Kelghtley
11 (1) 0 OCTILLION R Fisher 90..... Tives
13 (2) 0 SAKR N Callaghan 90..... K Darley
16 (5) 0 HAPPY HOMEMAKER J Berry 811..... R P Elliott
18 (4) 0030 SOUND WORK W Bentley 811..... K Darley
PROBABLE SP: 11-10 Sakr, 4-1 Happy Homemaker, 6-1 Sound Work, 7-1 Hunky, 10-1 Mazeltov Linda and Octillion, 16-1 Moving River.

2.45 BUTTERMERE SELLING STAKES £700 (2-Y-O) 5f (6 runners)

2 (6) 0140 FIVE STARTERS (D) J Berry 813..... K Darley
4 (5) 00 BLAKEDALE E Weymes 811..... S Webster
5 (2) 4000 KODA KHAN W A Stephenson 811..... M Birch
6 (3) 0 MAES-YR-HAF W H Williams 811..... C Dwyer
13 (1) 0 CAROLYN CHRISTENSEN N Callaghan 88..... Tives
17 (4) 0032 PRINCESS AURA C Tinkler 88..... L Charnock
BLINKERS: 5, 17
PROBABLE SP: 2-1 Princess Aura, 7-2 Blakedale and Carolyn Christensen, 4-1 Five Starters, 10-1 Koda Khan, 12-1 Maes-Yr-Haf.

3.15 LOWESWATER HANDICAP £1,500 6f (12 runners)

3 (9) 002000 FERRIBY HALL (D) A Smith 797..... M Birch
5 (7) 0000-20 TOWER OF STRENGTH J Winter 593..... P Hamblett
6 (8) 0-10444 MARY MAGUIRE (C-D) Mrs M Nesbitt 7813..... A Nesbitt
9 (4) 030000 CENTRAL CARPETS R Stubbs 5810..... D Nicholls
10 (3) 00-1000 JOLIE COURTISANE (D) J S Wilson 488..... K Darley
13 (6) 00000-0 PRIMULA BOY (D) W Bentley 983..... R P Elliott
14 (2) 00-0044 MARSHALL RED J Mason 483..... Tives
15 (12) 001-002 APHRODISIAC R Morris 380..... J Lowe
16 (10) 04-0142 PRIONSAA (D) W H Williams 6713..... L Charnock
19 (1) 010-000 MUSIC NIGHT (D) D Garraton 7711..... A Mackay

21 (11) 004/0-11 ILLICIT G Fletcher 5710..... A Bond
22 (5) 00020-0 PORTO IRENE W G M Turner 4710..... W Ryan (5)
BLINKERS: 3, 19

PROBABLE SP: 7-2 Illicit, 9-2 Tower of Strength, 5-1 Mary Maguire, 6-1 Ferriby Hall and Prionsaa, 8-1 Marshall Red, 10-1 Central Carpets, 12-1 Aphrodisiac and Music Night, 16-1 others.

3.45 BASSENTHWAITE HANDICAP £1,900 (3-Y-O) 1m (9 runners)

1 (9) 0-03144 RABIRIUS W Bentley 97..... M Wood
5 (1) 30-0010 PYTHAGORIAN R Stubbs 94..... Tives
8 (7) 000-041 DONNYSNOOKERCENTRE E Weymes 90 (5 ex)..... E Guest (5)
11 (3) 000-103 CAMDEN LAD R Hollinshead 812..... S Perks
12 (4) 40-4000 ABA NABEEM (USA) S Norton 811..... J Lowe
13 (5) 000- HABAT'S MELODY C Booth 810..... G Oldroyd
19 (2) 000-04 HIGHVIEW D Chapman 85..... D Nicholls
20 (6) 000-000 THE MANOR E Alston 80..... S P Griffiths (7)
21 (8) 00-0000 RUFCHA D Sasse 713..... K Darley
BLINKERS: 21

PROBABLE SP: 11-4 Camden Lad, 7-2 Donnysnookercentre, 9-2 Pythagorian, 6-1 Rufcha and Rabirius, 7-1 Aba Nabem, 10-1 Highview, 16-1 others.

4.15 ENNERDALE WATER MAIDEN STAKES £500 (3-Y-O) 1m 1f (12 runners)

3 (2) 3 DOZARIO J Jefferson 90..... M Birch
14 (6) 0030-04 LORD LUDO D Garraton 90..... B Coogan
15 (4) 030-000 MAJESTIC PEACE (USA) G P-Gordon 90..... Tives
19 (3) 000-00 PENINSULA KING (FR) E Eldin 90..... A Mackay
21 (1) 00 SHARPVILLE E Weymes 90..... S Webster
22 (11) 00-0 SILVER PROSPECT R Hollinshead 90..... S Perks
29 (9) CISSBURY M Prescott 811..... C Nutter
30 (5) HEATHERVALE Denys Smith 811..... M Fry
31 (8) KEEL N Callaghan 811..... E Guest (5)
32 (7) 32 NODOUBLE'S DANCER (USA) (BF) J W Watts 811..... N Connorton
34 (10) 04 SABHIA G Huffer 811..... J H Brown (5)
35 (12) 000-0 SPORTS HEADLINES J Etherington 811..... M Wood

PROBABLE SP: 3-1 Nodouble's Dancer, 7-2 Majestic Peace, 9-2 Dozario, 11-2 Sabhia, 7-1 Lord Ludo, 8-1 Cissbury, 10-1 Keel, 14-1 Heathervale, 16-1 others.

4.45 CRUMMOCK WATER HANDICAP £2,000 1m 4f (7 runners)

2 (1) 300-000 SHACKLE PIN (USA) W A Stephenson 498..... S Perks
13 (4) 0-000 GRAY HEAT W Storey 682..... O Gray
14 (5) 3-00240 POINT NORTH (D) W H Williams 682..... L Charnock
15 (7) 00/0 HORSESHOE BAY T Cuthbert 4712..... D Leadbitter (7)
16 (2) 00-0433 HYDRANGEA D Chapman 5710..... S P Griffiths (5)
17 (3) 003-000 DUSTY PATH W Bentley 6710..... M Wood
19 (6) 00/0000 STAR ALLIANCE R Morris 677..... A Mackay
PROBABLE SP: 11-8 Hydrangea, 3-1 Point North, 7-1 Shackle Pin, 7-1 Dusty Path, 12-1 Gray Heat, 16-1 others.

Benson test for Crowe

SOMERSET'S strength without West Indian matchwinners Viv Richards and Joel Garner will be put to a severe test today when they meet Warwickshire at Edgbaston in the quarter-finals of the Benson and Hedges Cup.

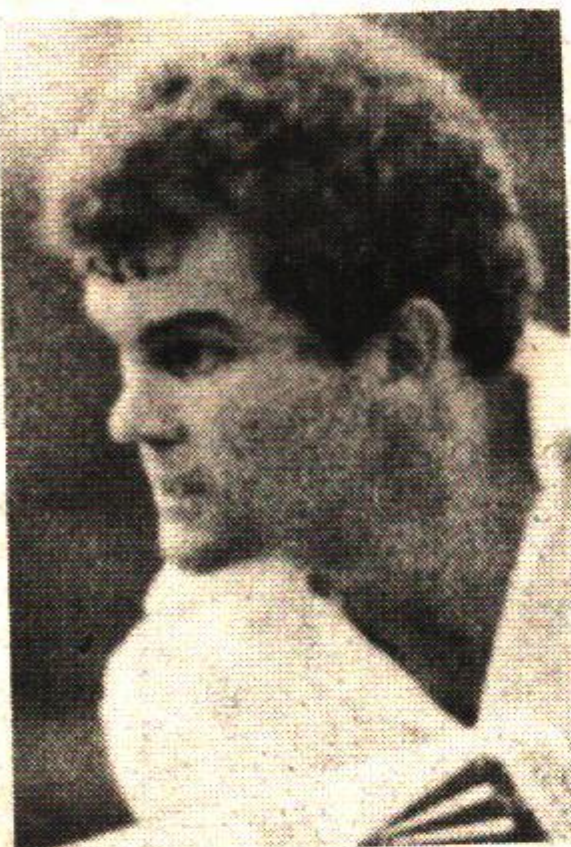
Ian Botham's side have of course recruited New Zealand Test star Martin Crowe as a temporary replacement, but Warwickshire are currently one of the country's in-form batting sides.

Alvin Kallicharran has already passed 1,000 runs in all competitions this summer. Dennis Amis has 741, Andy Lloyd 727, and Geoff Humpage 616, with a total of twelve centuries between them.

That should stretch Somerset to the limit especially if one-day specialist Vic Marks fails a fitness test on a hip injury caused by West Indian paceman Milton Small.

Warwickshire will make a late choice be-

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MARTIN CROWE

tween the two Smith brothers, Paul and David, to open the batting with Lloyd, returning after international duty at Lord's.

Surrey are another side who will travel with trepidation today.

They visit Trent Bridge to face a Nottinghamshire attack currently comprising Clive Rice, Richard Hadlee, Mike Hendrick and Eddie Hemmings.

Surrey manager Micky Stewart hopes though, that the home wicket will not be custom built to suit the Notts bowlers.

He said: 'Playing away from home in one-day competitions is never easy but my main hope is that Ron Allsopp, the Nottinghamshire head groundsman prepares the ideal pitch for this type of game.'

'Pitches at Trent Bridge have given bowlers more than their fair share of encouragement over the past few seasons.'

Surrey will give a fitness test to captain Geoff Howarth who has been out for three weeks after an exploratory knee operation.

Lancashire welcome back Graeme Fowler from England duty and Paul Allott after a thigh strain but will be hard pressed to contain Cup favourites Essex at Chelmsford.

But Lancs manager Jack Bond has not given up the ghost.

'We have done well in this competition in the last two years, although obviously it's going to be a hard game against such an experienced professional side as Essex, we have nothing to be afraid of.'

The fourth quarter-final is at Hove where rejuvenated Yorkshire take on Sussex.

SCOREBOARD

HINCKLEY: Essex 189 (Phillip 71; Roberts four for 23) and 183 for two (Gooch 113 n.o.) Leicestershire 226 (Phillip five for 48). Leicestershire (6pts) and Essex (5pts) drew. No play yesterday.

DERBY: Middlesex 274 (Slack 93, Downtown 88; Newman four for 76) and 60 for one. Derbyshire 314 (Barnett 144). No play yesterday. Derbyshire (8pts) and Middlesex (7pts) drew.

MIDDLESBOROUGH: Yorkshire 309 (Love 112) Somerset 141 for 6 (Fletcher four for 24) No play yesterday. Yorkshire (6pts) and Somerset (4pts) drew.

HORSHAM: Sussex 358 for four dec. (Wells 127 n.o., Mendis 107, Parker 76) and 21 for no wkt. Northamptonshire 200 and 178 (Barclay four for 32) Sussex (24 pts) bt Northamptonshire (3 pts) by 10 wkts.

CANTERBURY: Kent 175 (Shepherd four for 39) and 70 (Sainsbury five for 19, Shepherd five for 30). Gloucestershire 130 (Romaines 73; Alderman four for 40) and 116 for six. Gloucestershire (20 pts) bt Kent (5pts) by 4 wkts.

BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire 303 (Tremlett 74, Terry 54) and 127 (Hendrick five for 17, Hadlee five for 35). Nottinghamshire 308 for five dec. (Hadlee 100 n.o., French 70 n.o., Broad 54) and 124 for eight (Connor four for 39) Nottinghamshire (23 pts) bt Hampshire (5pts) by 2 wkts.

SWANSEA: Worcestershire 466 for six dec. (Patel 153, Humphries 100 n.o., Weston 60, D'Oliveira 51). Glamorgan 230 (Hopkins 59; Patel four for 58, Illingworth four for 60) and 93 for eight (Illingworth five for 32) Glamorgan (4 pts) and Worcestershire (8pts) drew.

OLD TRAFFORD: Surrey 221 (Knight 60, Butcher 52; Simmons five for 71) and 251 (Clinton 66; Simmons five for 85) Lancashire 219 (Ormrod 67; Pocock seven for 74) and 251 for eight (Fairbrother 62). Lancashire (6pts) and Surrey (4pts) drew.

Champion Noah gets in before storms



From Matthew
Nugent at Stade
Roland Garros, Paris

JUST when we thought it was safe to take off the plastic macs at Roland Garros yesterday afternoon, the Parisians' answer to 'Jaws' struck again. Rain by the bucketload poured down on the stadium.

So, for the fifth day in succession, the French Open tennis championships were thrown into disarray — but not until six of the day's seven major clashes had been completed on centre and No.1 court.

Defending champion Yannick Noah delighted his French compatriots by reaching the last eight with an encouraging 3-6, 6-2, 7-6, 7-6 victory over Hungary's Balazs Taroczy in the opening encounter on centre court.

The favourite for the women's singles title, Martina Navratilova, followed him on to court and dispatched Kathy Horvath with consummate ease, 6-4, 6-2.

Then it was John McEnroe's turn. Seeded No.1, the New Yorker once again showed why he is favourite to clinch his first-ever French title as he brushed aside the challenge of fellow American Jimmy Arias in straight sets 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

Match

Jimmy Connors, the No.3 seed, had just begun his match with Sweden's Henrik Sundstrom when the heavens opened. But later finished off the young Swede in impressive style, winning 7-6, 6-1, 6-4.

On No.1 court Hannah Mandlikova from Czechoslovakia opened the day's play with a victory over the American youngster Melissa Brown, 6-1, 6-4.

That was followed by an impressive performance from the 1982 champion, 19-year-old Swede

Mats Wilander who advanced past Spain's Juan Aguilera, 6-2, 6-1, 6-3.

Defending women's champion, Chris Evert Lloyd, won her battle with Canada's Carling Bassett — despite dropping a set, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.

There cannot have been too much for the British press to write home about last night after McEnroe's straight-set victory over fellow-American Arias. They could have got it all on the back of a picture post card, one supposes!

McEnroe waltzed through the first two sets and when Arias broke serve in the third to take a 3-1 lead, he received a spontaneous burst of applause from the packed centre court.

They had been hoping to award his efforts with such a burst of Gallic passion all afternoon.

But with McEnroe playing so well the plaudits invariably fell to the tournament favourite.

The women's singles quarter-final round went much as expected with Camille Benjamin causing the only minor shock here.

Benjamin, ranked 47 on the computer rankings, overcame fellow-American Lisa Bonder, in an 'all-Ohio' match, 7-5, 5-7, 6-3, in the only major match not played on a show court yesterday.

It was very much an error-riddled affair. Benjamin won the first set on a tie-break, Bonder fought back to take the second and square the match.

But then Benjamin finally took control to win the third set and reach her first-ever semi final

in a grand slam tournament.

The tall, black American now meets Evert Lloyd — and that is one clash the defending women's champion was hoping to avoid.

Lloyd believes that Benjamin's unorthodox style of play, her ability to run down the ball, and great reach across court, can cause anybody problems here in Paris.

Lloyd moved a step closer to record sixth French title when she dispatched the young Canadian Bassett — but she didn't have it all her own way.

'Carling played extremely well in the first set — but then seemed to fade,' Lloyd said after her victory.

Trouble

'She was hitting the ball so well, moving around the court and coming in — she was causing me a lot of trouble. But she seemed to decide to stay back — and that gave me a chance to get back into the match.'

The other semi final throws the highly-talented Czech, Hannah Mandlikova, in against the tournament favourite, Martina Navratilova, tomorrow.

Navratilova demolished Horvath yesterday. There was to be no repeat of last year's shock result when Horvath, then just 16, beat the world's No.1 in straight sets in the fourth round.

Mandlikova resumed her match yesterday morning against the youngest player remaining in the tournament, the



YANNICK NOAH... Pleased the Parisians

16-year-old American Melissa Brown.

On Monday evening when Mandlikova led by one set, and 2-3 down at the second, the weather interrupted play and the match was called off.

The Czech champion finally broke her young opponent in the ninth game of the second set yesterday — and that was all she needed to advance to a confrontation with Navratilova.

Mandlikova is the only player to have beaten Navratilova this year, but their head-to-head record for 1984 stands at 1-1.

Noah moved into the last eight of the competition, much to the delight of the French crowd, against Taroczy.

Like other matches on

Monday, this clash was also postponed with the honours shared at a set each.

On that occasion Noah looked sluggish but yesterday he possibly played his best tennis so far against a man who, although 117 on the rankings, is an exceptionally fine player on clay.

Repeat

It will be hard to get tickets for centre court this afternoon when Noah takes on Wilander in a repeat of last year's final.

The 19-year-old Swede had no problems against the Spaniard Aguilera yesterday and should prove to be the biggest challenge for Noah so far in the tournament.

Piggott leaves Cecil stable — Cauthen takes over

LESTER Piggott and top flat race trainer Henry Cecil are to split.

The sensational eve of Derby news follows the prolonged rift between Piggott and Cecil's principal patron, French art millionaire Daniel Wildenstein.

Piggott, eleven times champion jockey in Britain, said yesterday that the split was 'inevitable'.

Cecil replaces Piggott with American whizz-kid Steve Cauthen, who has been riding in England for the past six seasons for Lambourn trainer Barry Hills.

But Lester scotched any rumours that the sacking might enforce an early retirement from him. 'I will be riding freelance in 1985,' he said.

'Due to the split between myself and Daniel Wildenstein I feel it is the best thing for all concerned,' Piggott added.

The rift came to a head last Autumn when Piggott, 48, turned down the ride on Wildenstein's subsequently brilliant filly

All Along in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

It was probably the most costly and ill-judged evaluation Piggott has ever made. For the filly duly won the race and set a European record with late season wins in North America that soared her takings to over £760,000, providing stand-in jockey Walter Swinburn with his greatest windfall ever.

Piggott shrugged his shoulders at the time, but

Wildenstein said that the 'long fellow' would never ride for him again.

Cauthen, 24, arrived in Britain tagged as 'the Kentucky Kid' after a phenomenal start to his riding career in the States.

He made an immediate impact by winning on his first ride and landed the 2,000 Guineas on Tap On Wood shortly afterwards.

Cauthen is currently joint top jockey with Pat

Eddery, both having had 33 wins this season. Piggott is one behind on 32.

Cauthen said at Salisbury yesterday: 'I have had six great seasons with Barry Hills, and felt I would like to make a change.'

Trainer Hills said: 'Naturally, I'm terribly disappointed. Steve's been with me for nearly six seasons, and I have no plans to replace him at the moment.'