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Fascist group seeks to smash left and kindle racial unrest

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The slogan of the National Democratic Freedom Movement daubed on the University's Henry Price Building.

EXCLUSIVE

by Nick Witchell

Leeds could well be on the brink of bitter political gang warfare of a violence and intensity unknown since the late 1960's.

Over the past few weeks there has been a rapid escalation of tension between extreme left-wing and right-wing groups in Leeds. The opposing sides are now closing ranks and organising themselves for what some see as a prolonged and possibly bloody struggle.

The spark which has ignited this new round of political violence is a fanatical Nazi organisation called the National Democratic Freedom Movement.

Earlier this week one of the leaders of the NDFM David Myatt, told me that his organisation is preparing itself to forcibly smash all left-wing groups and kindle racial unrest in Leeds.

Mr Myatt claimed that the NDFM, which was formed in January by extremist members of the National Front and other right-wing organisations, already has an active membership of over 200.

"Our membership is made up of those who are violent. We want people who are prepared to use violence. We don't believe in democracy — will use the same methods as Mussolini in Italy and Hitler in Germany," he said.

There have already been hints of what is to come. In recent weeks there have been several confrontations between the NDFM and left-wing groups.

At last Saturday's annual Trades Council May Day march through the city centre four student participants were attacked and one young member of the NDFM was arrested after he threw water at the marchers. One of the attacked students was Poly Union President-elect Ian Steele. He was surrounded by a gang of NDFM supporters as he walked through a pedestrian precinct on his way to join the march. He said it was only the presence of crowds of shoppers which dissuaded them from beating him up.

Visibly shaken by the incident and with the banner he was carrying in tatters Mr Steele said that he was very scared that there is going to be a 'bloodbath' in Leeds before very long.



David Myatt

"We want people who are prepared to use violence"



Ian Steele

"Scared of a bloodbath in Leeds before very long"

COURSES DEMANDED FOR HANDICAPPED

The Leeds Area branch of the National Union of Students is giving its fullest support to a group of parents who want a better education for their mentally handicapped children.

Last weekend the city's education department notified the parents of ten mentally handicapped children that it was not prepared to extend the special courses that the children are attending at Park Lane college.

Success

The courses which are run in the college's Potternewton annexe were initiated in 1971 and are designed to develop the social maturity of mentally handicapped teenagers between the ages of 16 and 19. In July the first ten students who were accepted by the college in 1971 will finish their three year course but their parents are demanding that they be allowed to continue attending the course because of the startling progress they have made.

Bernard Blamire, the father of one of the ten students, is chairman of an action group

by Ian Coxon

formed by parents with children on the course. He told *Leeds Student* that a number of leading members of the medical profession have said that these handicapped children need specialist education up to the age of 30.

Mr Blamire said: "The parents are going to picket a meeting of the education committee at the Civic Hall in Leeds on June 10 to demand that the students be allowed to stay at the college for another year at least."

The only alternative to the college course are adult training centres for educationally sub-normal children which Mr Blamire described as being "completely inadequate for the Park Lane students."

He went on to say: "There is enough space for extra students at Potternewton and I estimate that the additional

Leeds NUS pledges full support for campaign against City Council

cost of keeping ten students on for another year could be as little as £2,500 compared with the £46 million that will be spent on education in Leeds next year."

Cllr. Mrs Doreen Hamilton, the Chairman of the city's Education Committee said: "The scheme set up at Park Lane was only a pilot course and it was made quite clear to the parents involved that students would only be able to attend for two years with an option on a third."

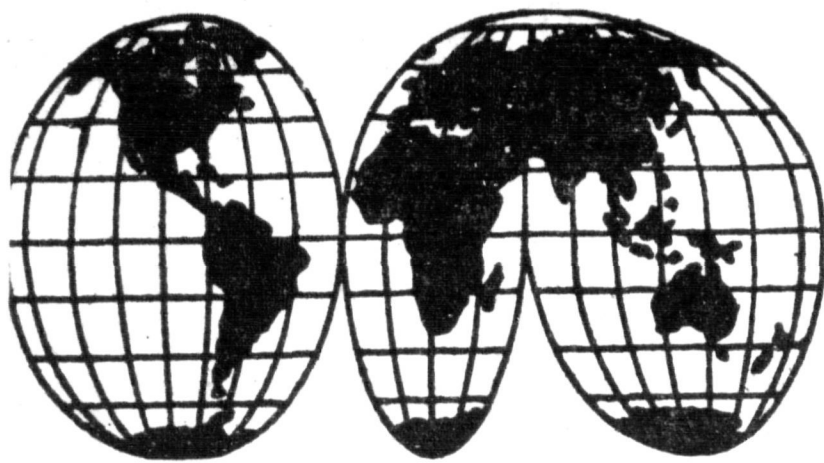
She said that plans were being made to improve the educational facilities of the training centres and thereby giving some benefit to a much larger number of people than the fifty at Potternewton: "In any case any spare capacity at

Potternewton would be used to provide places for the increase in the number of handicapped 16 year olds caused by the increased size of the area now covered by the Leeds Education Authority," Mrs Hamilton said.

Goal

Mr Blamire said that the parents group are intent on mounting a campaign at national government level with their eventual goal being the creation of a special college in Leeds for mentally handicapped people: "It is going to be a long fight," he warned, "but on no account are we going to accept the education department's decision."

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STUDENT WORLD

South Korea

The President of South Korea has personally begun a fierce clampdown on student activists, and any student involved in future anti-government protests could be sentenced to death.

The decree issued by the President gave student activists five days to give themselves up and banned any press report on student demonstrations.

261 student leaders have given themselves up to the police and others are being hunted, 13 are now serving jail sentences.

The conflict has flared up over the repression of political freedom in the country which the President instigated in order to prevent North Korea "exploiting internal dissension in the South as an opening wedge for aggression."

In 1960 students proved their potential strength when their rebellion toppled the government of that day.

Cambridge

An extraordinary meeting of the University's Council of Senate was called on Mondays, which was decided to

completely disown the tour of the University Rugby Club's tour to Rhodesia.

Already the tour had been strongly objected to by the Government and the Cambridge Students' Union.

So far there has been no weakening by the club officials and they see no justification for calling off the tour; team members are upset by the Council of Senate's decision because they will be barred from wearing the University blue jerseys.

York

The Students' Union of York University has voted by a ratio of two to one to oppose the National Union of Students policy of blacking right wing speakers and disrupting meetings addressed by them.

The vice-president of the Union, Ray Canham, said the vote meant that it was not union policy to disrupt meetings but added that no racist or right wing speakers were due to appear at York.

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Marcus Page

Newcastle

Directly contrary to York, Newcastle University has already called off one debate which was to have involved an extreme right-wing speaker.

A National Front member, Mr Martin Webster was to have spoken in a debate against Mr Steve Parry, the NUS executive member who had successfully argued for the motion banning right wing speakers at the national union's Liverpool conference.

Hull

Graduating students are turning up their noses at career opportunities it was claimed last week by Hull University's career service.

Far fewer students were wanting interviews with prospective employers but the only reason the career service gave was "the fluctuating economic climate."

Bradford

An OGM decision passed by students at Bradford University was reversed by the union executive in an attempt to keep internal troubles on the campus.

A suitcase belonging to a student was lost while in the care of the porters, and the OGM decision resolved to help the student take the matter to the courts in order to reclaim the full value of the suitcase's contents, £232, from the university.

The university had paid up £50 only but the executive want to present "a plea of grievance" to the Senate and settle the matter outside the court rather than get landed with the legal costs of the student.

Inquiry into MoD grants

An urgent inquiry is to be set up by post-graduates to investigate the amount of money being received by the University in research grants from the Ministry of Defence.

It follows the disclosure from the University Finance Committee of annual grants totalling nearly £50,000 to science departments and the recent acceptance by the School of History of over £30,000 from the Ministry of Defence to finance a lecturer in defence studies.

The inquiry will be carried out by the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs the trade union many postgraduates belong to.

Peter Green, a postgraduate in Sociology and Chairman of the ASTMS Academic Group at the University, said the purpose of the inquiry is to find out what the implications of the grants are: "A lot of people doing work on Ministry sponsored projects do not realise that they are working for the Ministry of Defence," he said.

We intend to look at the whole question of Ministry grants very carefully and critically."



Carol Jelly

Carol top in UC poll

Former University Union House Secretary Carol Jelly topped the poll in last week's election of Union Council members for next session.

In second place was Cultural Affairs Secretary Waxum Daswani who was originally believed to have withdrawn his nomination papers. In fact he never withdrew from the election officially and will take up one of the 25 council seats next October.

Miss Jelly gained 332 votes; ten ahead of Mr. Daswani.

In third place was Alan Lenton. The other 22 students who won Council seats are: Anne Myatt, Pete Gillard, Sean Rogers, Chris Armistage, Roger Seddon, Paul Loasby, Sarah Ward, Mick Ridley, John Harvey, Sarah Langridge-Smith, Carl Gray, Andy Morgan, Jeffrey Eke, Mary Littlefield, Martin Daley, Nick Lamming, Chris Green, Bob Rae, Stephen Bullock, Richard Chandler, Bob Boddey, Simon Jones.

Painters wanted for MJ

The Mount Jones coffee lounge is the next target for Waxum Daswani, University Union Cultural Affairs Secretary, and his policy of encouraging student creativity.

He is appealing for students from any department to submit designs for wall paintings they would like to do.

Council boycotts police seminar

The University Union is to boycott a discussion seminar with senior police officers in Wakefield next week.

The Union was invited to send four delegates to meet senior officers involved in training police recruits. However, Union Council decided on Monday by a majority of one vote not to send any representatives.

Speaking against the proposal Andy Morgan said he thought the whole scheme was 'a total waste of time' and should be boycotted lest the Union should give the impression that it approved of police methods.

Deputy President for Com-

munications Jim Bewsher disagreed and said that it was one of the few chances to get at the police: "We should send somebody to represent students views," he said.

Union to close on Bank holiday

The University Union will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday, May 27th. In addition, it will only be open on Sunday 26th if the portering staff agree to provide a skeleton staff.

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Union defiant over seat on Senate

New club formed for Poly disco-goers

The Poly Union is to start up a disco club for the benefit of non-union members. By purchasing a 20p disco card they will be allowed to enter the Union on Wednesday and Saturday evenings without having to be signed on the guest list by a Union member.

The membership cards which will be available in a few weeks will be valid for one year. Cultural Affairs Vice-President Andy Murray said

that the idea of the club was to cut down the queues to get in the Union that develop on disco nights when non-union members have to be signed in before they can attend the disco. A similar club was operated by the Poly two years ago.

Mr Murray is also organising an Ents questionnaire to try and find out what sort of entertainments people would like to see provided next term.

Further conflict between the University and its Students' Union seems inevitable following a Union Council decision on the forthcoming Senate elections.

Council decided at its meeting on Monday to defy the University's regulations about the election of the Union representative who will join the President and the five Faculty representatives on Senate in October.

The regulations laid down by the University state that the Union nominee must be an elected officer of the Union.

Union Council has decided to hold an open election amongst the whole student membership for the post. The election will be held at the start of next session.

In the interim, until the election is held, Council proposed that a Union General Meeting should elect a temporary representative to hold the seat, who will give it up to the winner of the open election.

This further contravenes the University regulations which stipulate that only one person can hold each seat during each session.

Proposing the motions at Council Pete Gillard said it was a fundamental question of Union autonomy. "We must be free to elect our own representatives in whatever way we think most appropriate", he said. "Furthermore, anyone we elect to be our representative will be our representative, even if we have to carry him into the Senate chamber ourselves."

University Registrar, Dr James MacGregor, who is responsible for the running of Senate elections, said he was not prepared to comment at this stage on Union Council's decision except to say that it sounded unconstitutional.

Athletes help with drug tests

University student sportsmen are assisting in research into anabolic steroids — the drug used by many athletes in attempts to improve their performances.

Some of the volunteers are being given anabolic steroids for periods of up to six weeks while others are receiving harmless substitutes so that the effect of steroids can be analysed.

Professor Romaine Hervey of the Department of Physiology who is directing the experiment believes that the results of it may throw some light on how the human body regulates its energy balance.

TALK TO BOYLE

The University Vice-Chancellor Lord Boyle will be available on Saturday, May 25th to meet any students who wish to speak to him.

He shall be in his room on Level 11 of the Physics Administration Building between 10.00 am to 12.30.

Four officers elected unopposed

Four Poly students have been elected unopposed to take up Union offices next session.

Andy Murray, who is currently Cultural Affairs Vice-President, will become Ents Chairman. 3D Design student Keith Weymer takes over the post of Rag Chairman, Pete Smart a Law student becomes Accommodation Secretary and Fay Littlewood from the Life Sciences department will be the Union's new Catering Secretary.

Students at Park Lane are demanding that the college governors should no longer have the power to approve or disapprove of union policy.

But the union will not gain complete autonomy until the governors themselves accept the demands, which were formulated at a union meeting last Friday.

However an attempt to remove the post of Liaison Officer, who is a member of staff, from the constitution was defeated by seven votes.

The proposal for complete autonomy will be discussed when the college governors meet next month together with demands for a sabbatical union president and an increase of 300 per cent in the union fee to pay for the officer.

At a Union meeting earlier this term proposals for the union's first paid official were



This cartoon won Chris Williams first prize in the recent student journalist competition organised by the New Statesman.

Union demands autonomy from college governors

Around Town



TROUBLE IN THE MARKET

Leeds Market traders, who, were criticised in a letter to the Evening Post last week for "increasingly bad manners", have hit back at their "difficult" customers.

"Customers can be very awkward," said Mr Hyman Levi. He thinks that some shoppers behave differently when they get into the market: "They complain and criticise in a way they never would in an ordinary shop."

Mr Levi said that goods in Kirgate market were much cheaper than in the shops and people could not always expect top quality.

NO MONEY FOR SHAFTS

The Government has refused to help to finance the filling in and making safe of several hundred disused mine shafts in the Leeds area.

The city's Finance committee was told that to fill in 90 shafts alone — all located on council land — would cost £2000,000. But Cllr Albert King, the committee chairman, assured members that the shortage of cash would not stand in the way of safety: "When we become aware of an element of danger it will be treated as a matter of urgency," he said.

ROW OVER CHICKS

Leeds City Council, which a few weeks ago lost a case over chicken portions containing 19 per cent of added water, is considering an appeal.

The stipendiary magistrate, Mr F. D. L. Loy, has been asked to state a case for the Divisional Court, the first step in the lodging of an appeal.

The City Council alleged at the hearing that frozen chicken portions were not of the substance demanded because of the added water, some of which had been injected into the chicken in the form of a polyphosphate solution.

A witness for the producers, Eastwoods UPM Limited admitted that on the prices then prevailing housewives were paying £100,000 a week for added water in their chicken.

Public analysts were also concerned about the amount of added water getting into such products as ham and fish fingers.

MARAUDING MUGGERS

Six muggings by a gang of coloured youths have taken place in Leeds over the last week.

The gang, which usually strikes between 10 pm and 1 am, have attacked people in the Chapeltown, Roundhay, and Burley areas.

One victim, John Wagner, a scrap driver of Chapeltown, said: "There were three coloured men. When I tried to pass them one got me in a stranglehold while the other two punched me and threw me into a garden."

He was robbed of a wallet containing two pounds and a valuable cigarette lighter.

DEAD AND BURIED

The body of an unknown middle-aged man has been buried without epitaph or headstone at a Leeds cemetery.

A verdict of "found drowned" was recorded after the man's body was found floating in the River Aire on March 10th.

The only tangible clue to the man's identity was a pair of cased spectacles. The case, bearing the name of a Leeds optician, proved to be of no assistance. His only other possession was a tin-opener.

This unusual case is "the first case of its kind in Leeds for many years," according to the Coroner, Deryk Walker.

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SEE AND HEARD



'The NDFM is pledged to white power and the eradication of alien Jews'

This view is supported by other recent events. The NDFM has attempted to disrupt several meetings of left-wing groups and on Monday another gang of their supporters congregated outside the home of two members of the Communist party and threatened them.

I asked Mr Myatt about "death threats" which are supposed to have been issued to leading members of the local Communist party. After thinking for a moment he replied: "Who can say — who cannot say." Commenting on the NDFM's publicly avowed racist and anti-semitic policies Mr Myatt, who has several convictions for assaulting black people, said the NDFM is pledged to "white power" and to eradicating the "alien Jews."

"We are very proud about our success so far," he said, "We are prepared to go out and conquer our enemies by force."

He claimed that their organisation already has branches

in London, Nottingham, Sheffield and Cambridge in addition to the national headquarters in Great George Street, opposite the University Medical School.

He said he was not prepared to comment on a rumour that a Jewish Offensive group called "Group 62" has been re-established in Leeds to counter NDFM activities.

The NDFM has been publicly disowned by the National Front. I spoke to the Chairman of the local NF branch, University Fine Art student Paul Crowther. He said the NDFM was being led by the former "lunatic fringe" of the NF: "I am very disturbed by it all," he added, "I have never known such an escalation in bitterness as is now happening in Leeds."

Amongst other groups threatened by the NDFM is the Gay Liberation Front, who have already received one threatening visit from NDFM members. Martin O'Leary of the GLF said his group is seriously worried by the present situation.

Mr O'Leary alleged that the official leader of the NDFM, 24 year old former National Front organiser Edmund Morrison, was responsible for inciting gangs of skinheads to attack Asian shops in Chapeltown in 1969. It was these actions, he claimed, which sparked off

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some of Britain's worst ever race riots in the summer of 1969.

At Monday's University Union Council meeting a motion was passed noting: "With disgust the attacks on Union members and Poly students over the last few weeks. We also note that the attacks were made by a neo-Nazi organisation, the National Democratic Freedom Movement, and that a policy of intimidation is being pursued by the organisation on anti-racist activists, some of whom are members of our union."

University Union NUS Secretary Kevin Devaney said that an active campaign is to be launched by left-wing groups to make the public aware of the evil of extreme right-wing groups. "The local Trade Unions are backing us fully to counter this movement, which is relying on the ignorance and prejudices of the public, particularly the younger, unemployed worker."

Mr Devaney went on to say that the left-wing would not be intimidated. "If we are attacked we will defend ourselves. The people organising these groups are psychopaths. They are using people, particularly the kids, who are ignorant of the evil they are supporting."

The full interview with David Myatt will be published next week.



The arrow points to the entrance to the headquarters of the NDFM which are on the second floor of this building in Great George Street.

NEWS EXTRA

Severe cuts have been made in the University's building programme. Plans for a £281,000 complex to house Social Studies and Food and Leather Science students have had to be abandoned and the Vice-Chancellor Lord Boyle fears that there will be no more money forthcoming for rebuilding in the University until 1976.

Union President Andy Jarosz said that many students will have to carry on working in inadequate conditions and that the new buildings known as Block 19 which

were promised six years ago have been constantly shelved.

Bus fares in Leeds will increase by between one and two pence from Sunday. Fares up to four pence will remain the same, those up to 9p will go up by one penny and most of those which are now 10p or more will be increased by two pence.

The cost of multi-journey tickets will rise accordingly.

A University student could not sleep alone for two nights after seeing the gruesome film "The Exorcist"

The student, a girl from

the Charles Morris Hall of Residence, who went to see the film on Sunday stayed up all night with the hall's night porter. On the following night she was still distressed and had to sleep in a friend's room.

A member of the University Orienteering Club has won national honours. Peter Haines made certain of a place in the British Junior team by becoming Junior Champion of Scotland last weekend. Over Easter Peter carried off the South of England championship.



Edmund Morrison

SOMEWHERE TO GO

WHITBY

Whitby is a lovely little fishing port on Yorkshire's north-east coast. It has a ruined Abbey, a long and colourful history, and a couple of potash mines. The Abbey was founded in 656, and the mines in 1969.

It has several claims to distinction. The first Abbess of Whitby, (or Streanaeshalch, as it was called in 656) was St Hilda. Captain Cook lived in Whitby and built the ships he used for his voyages, George Stephenson and George Hudson planned the East Coast railway between London and Scotland there in 1835, and in 1914, German warships shelled the Abbey.

The Abbey and the squat



little Parish Church in front of it should certainly not be missed out of anyone's itinerary, however, if only because the latter has some very unusual features indeed. Thanks to Henry VIII and the Kaiser, the Abbey is mostly ruined, but some of

it has been restored, and fairly recent excavations have uncovered some interesting Saxon remains.

A word of warning here. Visit the Abbey before the town, unless you're keen on climbing steps. If you go to the Abbey first, you walk down the 199 steps; do it the other way round and you'll be breathless! The town was flourishing in the times of the Danes, as the names of the streets show. Indeed, Flowergate was important enough to merit a mention in the Doomsday Book (1086, in case you had forgotten). There are a couple of pleasant parks, and also Bagdale Hall, a sixteenth-century mansion now open to the public. The Museum and Art Gallery in Pannett Park contain mementoes of local life through the years, and also relics of Captain Cook.

Spend some of your time down at the Harbour if you can, it is now no longer a

whaling base but just a haven for small fishing boats and you will find better sea food here than you can imagine. The only relic of Whitby's past can be found opposite the harbour in the shape of a magnificent Whalebone Arch, over twenty feet high.

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Real knee-trembler

If you go to see *The Exorcist*, go prepared for bouts of nervous laughter and constant hubbub from the audience — even before the more astounding parts of the film begin. This is due to the massive publicity campaign which has helped, together with a few neurotic Americans, to promote *The Exorcist* as one of the most gruesome films ever. Consequently, everyone is keyed up in terrible expectancy long before the film starts. Not surprising!

When I left the cinema I was told I was ghostly white and as I write now, my hands are still trembling. Truly, I don't think I have seen such convincing 'devilry' in all my life. Dennis Wheatley can be pretty frightening at times but this is a real knee-trembler! Much applause goes to the make up artist for a magnificent job

The Exorcist ABC2

on the possessed girl. The most frightening aspect of the film is that it takes place in the 20th century, not the 16th, and in an ordinary household. The basic plot centres on the exorcism itself and the film relies heavily on shock tactics, though not of a crude sort, for its effect.

The devil that the priests have to deal with is a veritable monster and far from being a paper mache caricature of the Dr Who variety, it is truly horrifying.

For those who enjoy being scared out of their wits, this film is a godsend (if you'll pardon the expression).

Jill Connick



Paul Newman as Henry Gondorff in "The Sting" at the ABC

Superb strings

Gabrieli String Quartet GREAT HALL

I don't know why the University decided to put on a concert in honour of York University's former Vice-Chancellor but it proved to be a very good idea.

The concert was given last Friday by the Gabrieli string quartet who can claim to be one of the best two or three quartets in Britain. Their performance of the Debussy quartet proved the truth of such a claim. Quite apart from the near-perfection of their playing, the musicality was outstanding. The shaping of the slow movement was beautiful with plenty of feeling but everything properly controlled. The second movement had vitality but also revealed the mystery of the writing. A tremendous performance.

Kenneth Essex joined the quartet for the second half performance of Mozart's finest quintet, the G minor (K 516). Although technically well played, this was a disappointment. The intensity of feeling which characterised the Debussy was somehow lacking and much of it seemed a bit perfunctory which Mozart never is when writing in G minor.

The Haydn quartet, 'The Bird', which opened the programme suffered from the same drawback although the mysterious scherzando was memorable. Perhaps they were saving themselves for that superb Debussy.

John McMurray

Paying the price

The head of the Royal family 'pays a unique price for a unique position' and if one of the Royals is not prepared to pay this price he must leave the fold. Forty years ago Edward VIII wanted to be King and have at his side an American woman who had twice been divorced but neither his family nor the country would allow it and he was forced to abdicate.

In *Crown Matrimonial* Royce Ryton vividly describes the anguish suffered by the young king who deserted his post to be able to uphold his dignity and marry the woman he loved. The cost of his action was enormous; he was forced to remain in exile for the rest of his years and his family was duty bound to refuse to recognise the existence of his wife.

The play highlights the absurdity of the etiquette of the Establishment and the dual morality accepted by the Royal

Crown Matrimonial GRAND

family; had Edward VIII been a commoner his wife would have been acceptable but because he was the centre of attraction of the heart of the nation she was not. *Crown Matrimonial* is a period piece set in a stuffy room in Marlborough House and sprinkled with dry comedy, however, it is much more than a mere historical play. The author moulds the story into a compelling drama about morality and matters of principle within a family.

The acting in this production at the Grand is of a high standard but Owen Holder's portrayal of Edward VIII is of a higher quality than anything I have seen there for many years.

Ian Coxon

Apologestic cast

As a young IRA officer spends his last night in jail before joining the long line of Irish martyrs, a British soldier is kidnapped as a hostage for his release. He is taken to the strange lodging house of Pat, (John Bedford) where Monsewer, entertainingly portrayed by Geoff Greenwood, leads his 'home guard' of prostitutes (both sexes), a civil servant and a pianist, to name but five.

Jean Dove, as Meg Dillon, captures the feeling of the play right from the beginning, making up for some of the cast, who are at times far too apologetic for the raucous content of their words and in

The Hostage by Brendan Behan CARNEGIE COLLEGE

particular the songs. Peter Shields is superb as Rio Rita the male prostitute, and the hostage is well executed by Steve Smith.

The play shows up the confused religious and political ideas of the Irish people, which Behan sums up beautifully in Meg's explanation of the Virgin birth: "That was done under the Special Powers Act by the Holy Ghost".

Dave Gordon

Shallow characters

The Seven Ups ODEON TWO

"Seven-Ups is a very highly secretive investigative department", says the Police Commissioner to the press boys, remaining suitably non-committal about the nature of the hardest men in the New York police.

Their methods are brutal and ungoverned by any morality, but everyone is happy as long as they keep pulling in the bad guys.

Things go wrong, however, as the Seven-Ups (there are only four of them but they deal with criminals liable to get more than seven years in jail) get framed and one of their number is "picked off". From that point the thriller proper gets going as all parties involved become both hunters and quarry.

This film has all the correct ingredients for a thriller but nothing is developed far enough. The only character with any substance is "Buddy",

(Roy Schieder of 'The French Connection') the boss of the Seven-Ups. He acts powerfully in places and dominates the rest of the cast whose characters are cardboard thin and don't stand up to much scrutiny.

The mafia families for instance have little else to them than elaborate mannerisms and predictable gangster talk; and only the make-up helps the baby face criminal to create an impression.

Surprisingly, some of the most tense sequences take place in the automatic car wash where dark figures in welington boots and sou' wester attack the occupants of cars. The car chase is gripping as well and has a novel climax.

Unfortunately the film ends on a rather heavy note over-stressing the bad guys one moral — don't betray a friend.

Marcus Page

As good as usual from Pinter

"Perhaps it marks the end of an epoch... for Harold Pinter himself."

Taken from the programme for last week's production, this quotation surely cannot be meant seriously. In "Old Times", Pinter's most recent play, one finds its creator's familiar stylistic fingerprints: the usual abrupt humour, the harsh silences, the non sequiturs as the cast each follow

Old Times

RILEY SMITH HALL

their own trail of thought, the emphatic repetitions. However this does not mean that "Old Times" falls below Pinter's usual high standard.

The plot was interesting and the set adequate. While the dialogue was partly trivial, one felt an undercurrent of im-

portance attached to every sentence.

Possibly because of opening night nerves, act one seemed to begin with a hesitant stutter for the first 20 minutes with Kate (Penny Thewlis) being a little too vague and distant, while Deeley (Paul Lusk) overdid the drama in his role. Anna (Nell Smyth) was more than competent during the whole of her performance.

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ABC 1

Tonight and tomorrow: Paul Newman and Robert Redford in *The Sting* @. LCP 7.25.
Next week: The same.

ABC 2

Tonight and tomorrow: Max von Sydow and Ellen Burstyn in *The Exorcist* @. LCP 7 pm (see review).
Next week: Not available.

ABC 3

Tonight and tomorrow: Robert Redford and Mia Farrow in *The Great Gatsby* @. LCP 7.30.
Next week: The same.

ODEON 1

Tonight and tomorrow: Steve McQueen and Dustin Hoffman in *Papillon* @. LCP 7.30.
Next week: The same.

ODEON 2

Tonight and tomorrow: Peter Sellers in *The Optimists of Nine Elms* @. LCP 6.45.

Next week: By the producer of "Bullit" and "The French Connection" *The Seven Ups* plus *Lady Ice* (see review).

ODEON MERRION

Tonight and tomorrow: King Kung Fu with Alex Lung @ plus *Those Who Kill* @. LCP 7.00.
Next week: Not available.

TOWER

Tonight and tomorrow: Robert Blake in *Electra Glide in Blue* @ plus Charles Bronson and Jack Palance in *Chato's Land* @. LCP 6.40.

Next week: Brigitte Bardot and Claudia Cardinale in *The Legend of Frenchie King* @ plus Leslie Phillips in *Not Now Darling* @. LCP 6.55 weekdays, 6.20 Sundays.

LOUNGE

Tonight and tomorrow: Julie Christie and Donald Sutherland in *Don't Look Now* @ plus Edward Woodward in *The Wicker Man* @. LCP 7.10.

Next week: Barbra Streisand in *The Way We Were* @ LCP 8.15.
Sunday 12th: *Taste of the Blood of Dracula* @ plus *Tales from the Mummy's Tomb* @. LCP 7.00.

COTTAGE ROAD

Tonight and tomorrow: Sean Connery in *Diamonds Are Forever* @ plus *From Russia With Love* @. LCP 6.15.

Next week, Sunday for 4 days: Barry Humphries and Peter Cook in *The Adventures of Barry McKenzie* @. LCP 6.10 plus Hywel Bennett and Lyn Redgrave in *The Virgin Soldiers* @.

Thursday 16th for 3 days: Robert Shaw and Sarah Miles in *The Hireling* @ LCP 8.40 plus Maggie Smith in *Love, Rain and the Whole Damn Thing* @ LCP 6.45.

CLOCK

Tonight and tomorrow: Clint Eastwood and Donald Sutherland in *Kelly's Heroes* @. LCP 7.35.

Next week: Bruce Lee in *Enter the Dragon* @ plus *Cleopatra Jones* @. LCP not available.

HYDE PARK

Tonight and tomorrow: Orson Welles in *The Third Man*, plus Jane Fonda and Edward Fox in *Joseph Losey's A Doll's House* @ LCP 8.35.

Next week: David Niven in *The Statue* plus Lisa Minelli in *Cabaret* @. LCP Sunday 6.15, weekdays 6.40.

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Week following: Bruce Lee in *The Big Boss*.

PLAZA

Tonight and tomorrow: *Decameron 3* plus *1001 Nights* @. LCP 7.10.
Next week: *Penelope* plus *The Bitches*

LYRIC

Tonight and tomorrow: Edward Woodward in *The Wicker Man* @ plus Julie Christie and Donald Sutherland in *Don't Look Now* @ LCP 8.15.

Next week: Clint Eastwood and Donald Sutherland in *Kelly's Heroes* @.

BRADFORD FILM THEATRE

May 13-18th: Jane Fonda in *A Doll's House*. 7.15 pm.

LEEDS FILM THEATRE (AT THE PLAYHOUSE)

Friday: Federico Fellini's *8½*. 11.15 pm.
Saturday: Jean Renoir's *French Can-Can* 7.30.

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LEEDS PLAYHOUSE

May 15-18th: Alan Ayckbourn's *Howe the Other Half Loves*. 7.30. 14th, 8.00 pm.

GRAND

Tonight 7.30: Phyllis Calvert in *Crown Matrimonial*. Tomorrow 5 pm and 8.00 pm (see review).
Next week: *Sadler's Wells Opera*.

CIVIC

May 13-18th: Bertolt Brecht & Kurt Weill - *The Threepenny Opera*.

SWARTHMORE CENTRE

Tomorrow and Sunday: Brecht Workshop: Play readings, films, etc.

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your weekly newspaper

Poly clinch second place

The much improved Poly Volleyball side was beaten into second place by Maltby in the Yorkshire Development Shield last weekend.

Eleven teams took part in the event, held at Rothwell Sports Centre, which was open to all second division teams in the Yorkshire Volleyball League. The Poly was the highest placed student team in the tournament with Carnegie next in fourth place.

The teams played in three separate pools with the winners of each group going into a play off for the top three places. Leeds Poly had to fight hard for victory against Sheffield College of Education but gained an easy win against Bradford United to go into the play off with Maltby VC and Leeds Athletic Institute.

The Institute side was no match for the Poly team which included the college sports administrator George Bulman who is an experienced volleyball player. But after winning 15-6, 15-6 against the Institute, the Poly were narrowly beaten by Maltby who took the title.

U WIN

Percy's tips for this week are:

Friday, 3.30 Lingfield
PREBIHAS (nap.)
Friday, 5.00 Ayr
ROBERTON
Friday, 8.05 Leicester
TROTTER

Saturday, 2.30 Lingfield
SNOW NIGHT
Saturday, 3.00 Lingfield
BIGRIBO (nap.)
Saturday, 3.30 Lingfield
MUNINBIA
Saturday, 1.30 Ayr
JINNYLYN

PRATT ON BEST FORM

Carnegie athletes launched into the new season with a vengeance last weekend, sweeping the board at the British Colleges Sports Association Athletics championships.

Carnegie had the privilege of being the first ever college to stage this new event, which attracted over 200 competitors, many of them of inter-

national class, from all over the country.

Ignoring the hindrance of a strong wind, the Leeds men stormed to victories in most of the major events.

Carnegie President-elect

Carnegie athletes star in colleges championships

Chris Pratt won both the shot and the discus, achieving a personal best of 49 feet 10 inches in the former. Carl Newman, another Leeds man, came second to Pratt in both events.

There were more double successes on the track, with Carnegie's junior international sprinter Keith Jackson easily outstripping strong fields to walk away with both the 100 and 200 metres titles, in 11.5 and 22.9 respectively. Hurdler Paul Hambley, too, ran superbly to win both the 110 and 400 metres hurdles.

clocked a brilliant 55 seconds in the 400, perhaps the best performance of the day.

RESULTS IN FULL:
100m: JACKSON (Leeds & Carnegie) 11.5 200m: JACKSON 22.9
400m: HATCH (Alsager) 50.1
800m: MOTTERHEAD (Alsager) 1:56.5 1500m: MILNE (Nottingham) 3:59.3 5000m: COLE (Leicester) 14:37.2 3000m steeplechase: SALMON (Alsager) 9:44.8 110m hurdles: HAMBLEY (Leeds & Carnegie) 16.00 400m hurdles: HAMBLEY 55.00 Javelin: FROBISHER (Leeds & Carnegie) 55.94 High jump: MAGUIRE (Jordanhill) 1.85 Shot: PRATT (Leeds & Carnegie) 49.10 Discus: PRATT 39.62 Triple jump: FAIRLAMB (Nottingham) 13.09 Long jump: THOMPSON (Cardiff) 6.20 Hammer: BOWDEN (Alsager) 41.34 Pole Vault: KEEN (Cardiff) 3.50.



Varsity man going for the high jump

Now track success for Bird

The University Athletics team brought off a convincing win against opposition from four other Universities, in their first fixture of the season at Weetwood last week.

The Leeds men overshadowed strong contingents from Nottingham, Sheffield, Bradford and Hull Universities, winning so many of the field and track events as to

put themselves 60 points clear of their nearest rival at the end of the day.

Leeds' Russell-Smith came home in fine style to win the 200 metres, and Lee captured both the 800 and 1500 metres titles. Tony Bird, forsaking his normal role of cross country runner, took to the track for the gruelling 2000 metres steeplechase, and rom-

ped home to clinch another victory for the home team. And Hay collected the 110 metres hurdles title.

In the field events, Leeds man Lewis won not only the long jump and the triple jump, but also finished second in the high jump. Mason concluded the rout with a superb 45.38 metre throw to emerge triumphant in the hammer.

Garnett puts Poly golfers into third place

A team from Leeds came third in the Polytechnics Golf Championships played at Edgbaston, Birmingham on Monday.

The Leeds trio finished only one shot behind Newcastle who were second with a score of 392 while the winners Bristol had a five round total of 371. Each member of the eleven teams taking part played two rounds of the par 72 course with the best five scores forming the team's total.

For Leeds Andrew Garnett had rounds of 80 and 74, Martin Cooper 77 and 81 and Peter King 82 and 81. Garnett who had the best total score of the three was fifth overall in the competition.

Gymnasts strike gold

University gymnasts were on top form in the Leeds Open Trampoline Championships held in the University Sports Hall last weekend.

Leeds man Chris Stok carried off the gold medal in the men's section and was a member of the Leeds University team which won the men's team trophy.

However Carol Jelly could only manage second place and a silver medal in her event.

Mixed fortunes for varsity cricketers

The University cricket teams had mixed fortunes last weekend in their matches against Liverpool at Weetwood.

the toss and scored 164 then shot the visitors out for 100.

In the first team match, Leeds lost the toss and went in to bat first. A good knock of 34 by top scorer Kirkbridge could do nothing to prevent a poor innings total of 80.

The Liverpool batsmen in their innings hit out confidently, and despite the bad light, did not take long to reach the required total for the loss of only two wickets.

The second team, on the other hand, made short work of the opposition. They won

Canoeists win

Leeds gained an easy victory in the Polytechnics Slalom Canoe Championships last Sunday. The three members of the winning team were Poly canoe club members Hooley, Locke and Beaver.

International star John Hooley was also individual champion in the Canadian Class event which he won by three and a half minutes.

Mariner 9

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CLUES ACROSS

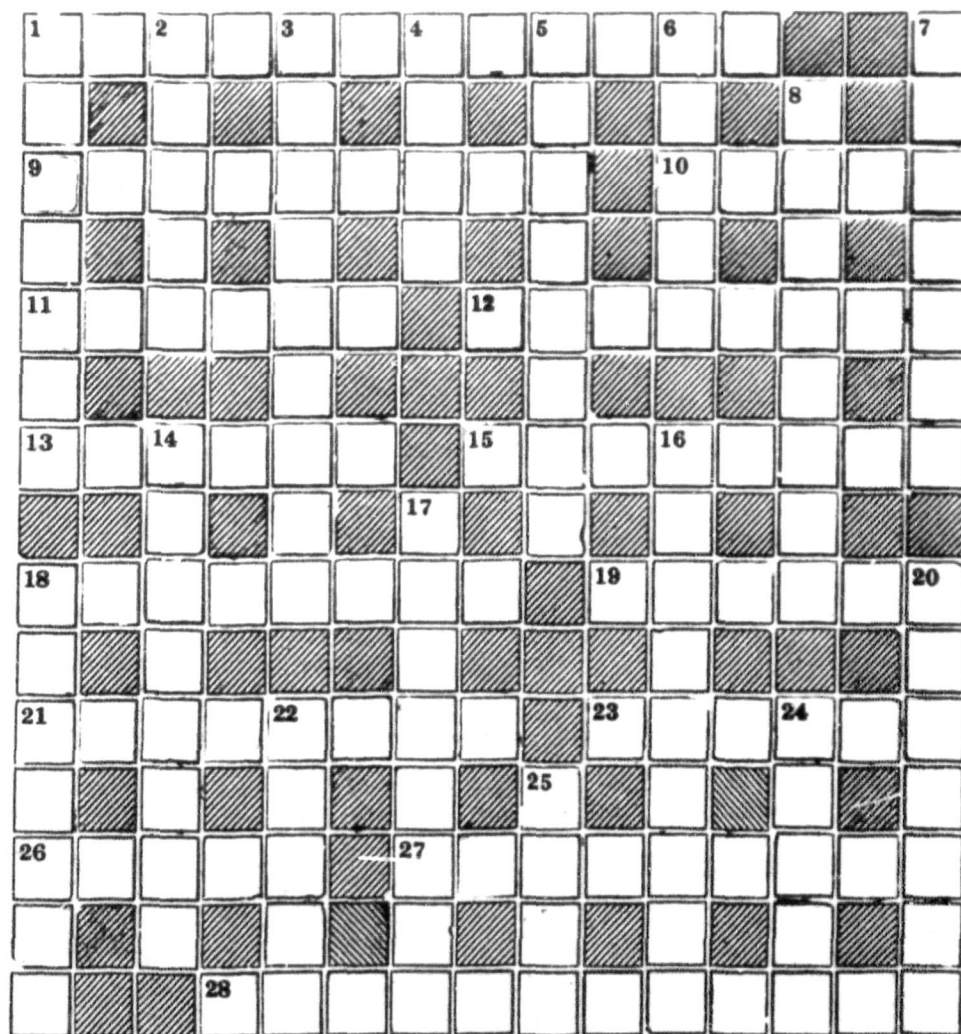
- 1 Bits scattered round? I make it a dispersal (12).
- 9 Return of Greek sorcerers with US money is slightly mad (9).
- 10 Give it back to an artist to put on her head (5).
- 11 Two sets together? No, one set of six (6).
- 12 Being amongst the reeds, this may belong to a member of an 11 (8).
- 13 An item retrospective in affiliated majority (6).
- 15 I have nothing to do with secret operation: it's confidential (8).
- 18 The pleasures of French illuminations? (8).
- 19 The ambusher is a right ending to a sort of 24 (6).
- 21 Arriving at the correct time, of the point, properly (8).
- 23 Entertains a poetical inspiration (6).
- 26 Nothing on the green uncoincided (5).
- 27 Given rude construction having to be done grammatically (9).
- 28 Recent confinement of vulgar old Bob. Breaking out again? (12).

CLUES DOWN

- 1 Put clothes on a kind of crab, it seems (7).
- 2 Try harder when they're pulled up (5).
- 3 Rind turns green in translation (9).
- 4 Make a hole in the rifle, we hear (4).
- 5 Cattle milling around on the old ship are accidentally offensive (8).
- 6 Water creature is warmer, so says the Cockney (5).
- 7 Greatly upset about it being returned in Continental money (7).
- 8 Artist in sudden fall in the shower (8).
- 14 Gifted lady of the plume led astray? (8).
- 16 Chaps set about demolishing ten buildings (9).
- 17 Takepound from neck-grabber for unknown person (8).
- 18 Disapprove of old member of House of Lords, somehow (7).
- 20 What "makes calamity of so long life", according to Hamlet (7).
- 22 Bird the French have a name for? (5).
- 24 Without this you're a coward (5).
- 25 Reared what is consumed daily, we hear (4).

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