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BREAK THE EEC SHACKLES -

SELF-RELIANCE THE KEY

NATIONAL disintegration within European integration is the future the ruling class has for Britain. Devolution on the one hand and a European Union on the other. Joining the EEC has put the shackles on British industry. Thanks to the Common Market we now have over a million and a half workers unemployed, skill and technology in the process of destruction, industry contracting and factories closing. The Common Agricultural Policy is in the process of dismantling the highly advanced farming industry in Britain. Our efficient agriculture is squandered to subsidise the under-developed agriculture of France and Germany. The Common Market has put the seal on the loss of Britain's economic independence

Direct elections

The proposed direct elections to a European Parliament are intended to put the seal on the loss of Britain's political independence.

The British Parliament, the oldest parliamentary institution is to yield its sovereignty to an assembly tucked away in Brussels.

This European integration is to be accompanied by internal disintegration. Britain is to devolve into separate parts, Scotland, Wales and England. Thus dismembered, Britain becomes an easy prey to European monopoly capital of which Britain is the leader.

Counter-revolution

The Common Market, devolution and now direct elections have never gathered support among the working class. They have been contrived by a ruling class in crisis and fear. Economic and political crisis combined with fear of the oldest working class. Heath's speech to the United Nations in 1970 where he outlined civil war as the main

danger to nations was the signal to monopoly capital to commence upon the destruction of Britain. It was also Heath who called for a separate Scottish parliament before he became Prime Minister and who dragged Britain into the Common Market after. This clearly defined strategy of counter-revolution is now even more closely followed by the Labour Government than by its predecessors.

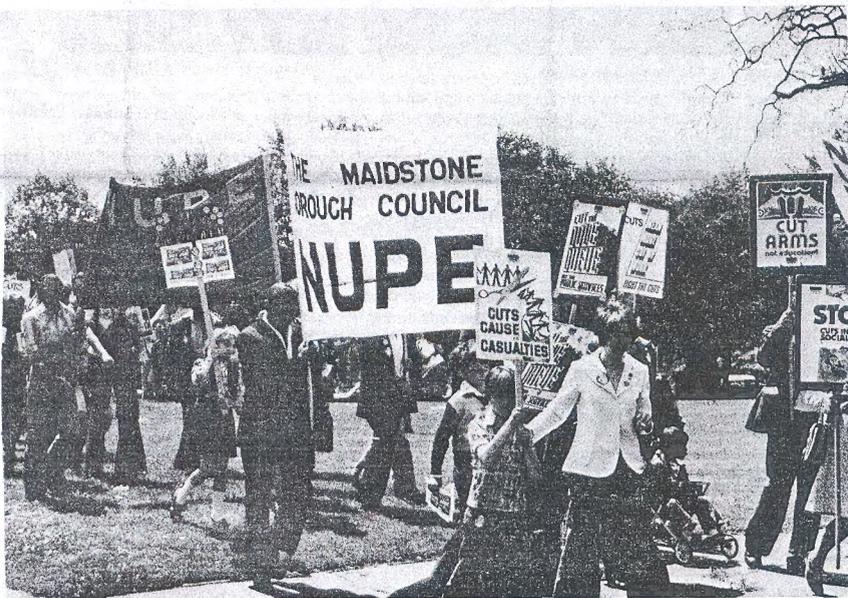
Sovereignty

On both issues, the Common Market and devolution, the labour movement failed to organise the working class in opposition. Direct elections, the logical consequence of the EEC just like the wedding ring after the engagement, must be fought more fiercely. At stake is the very future of the working class, its unity and the sovereignty of our country. Out with the economic and political bondage to the Common Market. A sovereign working class, and an independent Britain.

Britain must quit EEC to save fishing

WHILE renewed calls for Britain to get out of the EEC are being raised from all parts of the trade union movement, fresh examples continue to come to light confirming the correctness of predictions made consistently by *The Worker* in opposition to Britain's common market entry.

Britain's fishing industry is a case in point. It is in a chronic state of decline. Starved of investment and new vessels the UK deep sea fishing fleet has shrunk rapidly from 454 vessels in 1974 to 397 at the end of 1975 to 344 vessels in December 1976. As layings-up and scrappings continue, this, the most productive part of the industry will continue to shrink - perhaps by another 20 vessels by the end of



Kent trade unionists marched on 28 May in support of NUPE campaign against public expenditure cuts.

the summer.

At the same time, however, pickings for the big fishing interests remain good. While the total volume of the catch for 1976 rose 7 per cent, its market value rose by 38.5 per cent to £209.7 million. Nevertheless, failure to invest and high dividend payments are threatening not just the catching power of the fleet, but employment of fishermen and of course many of those who earn their living in the fishing ports, in fishing marketing, processing and trawler building and repair, and so on.

As if this in itself were not enough, an even greater shadow has been cast across the industry's future by the EEC Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). Brussels

bureaucrats are doing all in their power to oppose plans for a British 50-mile exclusive zone. Instead the CFP plans to turn the waters around our coasts into an 'EEC pond', in which a free-for-all with few effective controls would put vital fish stocks at risk.

Even the British Fishing Federation, in commenting on the need to defend threatened North Sea herring areas against the advocates of the 'grab-what-you-can' CFP, have been quite clear. They said, "The fact that other EEC members are prepared to argue into the night in an attempt to continue raiding a valuable food resource that the best scientific evidence and the EEC commission itself firmly declares to be in need of conservation, clearly underlines the need for coastal states to have control through an exclusive zone."

In fact, even a 50 mile zone is no final solution, since not only do fish not respect man-made borders, but the scramble for

fish between EEC fish companies will continue in the 50-200 mile zone - waters in which Britain's industry has in the past caught over 60 per cent of the annual catch.

The costs of what is happening to fishing are obvious. In the long term, decimation of a valuable food resource and destruction of the skill, industry and ability to exploit it; in the short term, more unemployment and of course ever higher prices. In the period February 1976 to February 1977 for example, the price of cod rose 34 per cent to 80.7p per lb. - putting it on a par with steak. In seeking alternatives for what has now become a bit of a luxury for most families, the big frozen food companies are complaining at housewife's reluctance to buy coley - or the latest proposal, 'blue' whiting.

Instead of eating blue fish, we should be blue with indignation. Out of the EEC to save fishing. We need our own labour movement referendum to decide!

Child care is priority in Socialist China

IN socialist China the health and welfare of children is given the utmost priority, according to the principle "give treatment early when there is disease, and take preventive measures early in the absence of disease."

Child care begins with regular pre-natal check-ups, and infants are given all the preventive inoculations and injections free, as well as any other medication

which proves necessary.

Every Chinese city and village has its own nurseries and kindergartens, staffed by highly trained child-care workers. Proper diet and exercise are thus ensured for every child, and parents have a local qualified source of advice for any problems they might have.

Medical check-ups are given regularly to the children both in

the cities and the countryside.

For instance, in the southern Autonomous Region of Kwangsi Chuang 700,000 children had medicals last June. This policy enables illness to be detected quickly, and in this case 100,000 children subsequently received medical treatment.

Education is also considered an important part of child care and in the kindergartens and

schools children are taught how to look after their health.

Before the revolution, there were only three children's hospitals with a total of 173 beds in the whole of China, so the children of workers had no medical care whatsoever. Now there are many children's hospitals all over China with several thousand beds, and all the clinics have paediatric wards. A recent survey in Jutung County in Kiangsu has shown that the rate of incidence of common and recurrent paediatric diseases was almost halved between 1973 and 1976.

German miracle

UNEMPLOYMENT will remain a problem in West Germany well into the next decade. This is the major conclusion of a report published in early June by the influential Institut der Deutschen Wirtschaft.

Even if real economic growth of 4 to 5 per cent is maintained, the report states, right through to 1985, unemployment will average 970,000. However, if the economy develops in line with a slower, more predictable pattern, then unemployment will go up to the three million mark.



Basketball players at a Chinese kindergarten.

(Picture by Hsinhua News Agency)

For North, South, East and West - class is the key

TO AVOID dividing up the world by class, you do it either geographically - East and West - or mathematically - First, Second and so ad infinitum. The Paris meeting of the Conference on International Economic Co-operation, which ended at the beginning of June, gave birth to yet another false description - the "North-South Dialogue." And if nothing concrete came out of it then the irony of it will not be lost on the cockneys of the world.

At the meeting the "rich" and "poor" countries of the world, the rich supposedly occupying the northern hemisphere and the poor the southern, failed to reach agreement. But to the relief of all taking part complete breakdown was avoided, albeit narrowly. The bone of contention is a redistribution of the world's resources.

The aim of "redistribution" seems laudable on the surface. But of course the poor were never there to put their point of view. All there were rich exploiters some from countries with highly developed economies, others from countries just starting out.

In Britain we are constantly being told that we are a rich

country and we must help the poor nations. In reality all the aid extracted from workers in the form of taxes does, is line the pockets of local capitalists or come back to British capitalists in the form of guaranteed profits. The best way we can help the developing countries is to make revolution here, and get British imperialism off their backs completely.

Meanwhile in the developing countries, the rulers try to divert the attention of the masses from the real cause of their poverty by pointing to the older capitalist nations and trying to squeeze more money out of them. The best way they can help themselves is through revolution and self-reliance.

The current goings-on between the older imperialisms and their would-be emulators of the "South" or "Third World" hold the seeds of a new World War. And for what? Not for the people. Are the Brazilian coffee workers living in luxury now that coffee has become a luxury good? Do the Sheiks draw up the oil themselves?

Workers of the world, unite!

Troops to increase terror in Ireland

ANY ADVANCE made by the people of northern Ireland has always been met by the British Government with more repressive measures. After the outright defeat of the loyalist coup in April at the hands of the Irish working class, the British Government has announced its intention to increase the number of troops present in northern Ireland.

British troops went into the north of Ireland in August 1968. Their 'temporary' presence has already gone on for eight years with no sign of an end. In the name of protecting the Catholics the British Government introduced repressive measures against the whole population that have been compared with conditions in fascist South Africa. The north of Ireland was divided by a blood lip to ensure that religious segregation is maintained. Streets where Catholics and Protestants lived next to each other for generations were turned into ghettos of one community or the other. Opposition to colonial rule was dealt with instantly through murder in the streets by uniformed or non-uniformed soldiers, by gangsters, or through internment and imprisonment. Innocent men, women and children were murdered by army bullets often as they sat in their own homes. Highly sophisticated torture techniques developed in Malaya, Cyprus and Aden were used on internees. So savage was the treatment that the British Government had to admit to

'ill treatment' and promise not to use these methods in the future.

Today with the sectarian murderers whether loyalist or provisional, isolated and discredited by the people of northern Ireland, the British government is to intensify its oppression, to ensure the survival of these gangs and to maintain the divisions within that

part of Ireland. Not only is the number of troops to increase but as it was announced publicly, their role as spies is to intensify. Intelligence work is by definition secret and hence announcing it publicly defeats its object, unless the object is not to gather information but to frighten and terrorise the people. The latter has been the consistent policy of the British Government.



Guard troops leaving a barracks for guard duty 'somewhere in Ulster'.

(Picture by Press Association)

Green light for invasion of Mozambique

INDICATING the 'cordiality' of the talks between the Smith regime and the Anglo-American team that visited Salisbury at the end of May, Rhodesian troops and planes invaded Mozambique the day after the team said goodbye to their hosts. Mozambique villages were occupied and sacked before the invading troops were driven out. Ten

days later another incursion took place with further loss of life and property.

The African front line states who called for a return to a Geneva conference under the auspices of Britain and the US should realise that the attack on Mozambique by Smith's army and air force is a direct result of the numerous British missions that

visited Rhodesia recently. The Foreign Secretary's "honest exchange" with Smith meant precisely that: honest support for the fascist regime at Salisbury. US interference in the guise of supporting British Initiative with Uncle Sam giving the clenched fist salute and Vice-President Mondale's "optimism" with his talks with Vorster, in reality gave the green light for the attack on newly-liberated Mozambique.

So much for Britain's solution to the illegal regime and so much for President Carter's new African policy.



Building a new society. Fighters of the Liberation Army and the people of Mozambique together cultivate vegetables on reclaimed land. (Picture by Hsinhua News Agency)

Scottish workers fight as assemblies talk

ASSEMBLIES are all the rage in Scotland. In their General Assembly, the Church of Scotland failed to proceed much farther than the debate on their dead or dying membership. Meanwhile in Dundee a Scottish Nationalist conference faced somewhat thornier problems.

How, the Nationalists asked themselves, do we contribute to the attack on the working class alongside other capitalist parties without losing a separate identity?

Devolution as an issue has faded and Nationalists know that many workers continue to regard them with suspicion. Recently in the Lothian Region a Labour-Tory alliance to cut local spending by £4.3 million had been opposed by the SNP who were insisting on cuts totalling £5.6 million!

The conference resolved the dilemma of identity by pulling the rabbit out of the hat and "demanding independence from England". The Scots are to be saved from slaughter at the hands of St. George only, it seems, to be savaged by the star-spangled eagle.

Naturally, neither Church nor Nationalist conference paid any attention to the real needs and aspirations of the Scottish workers. Not a whisper about the struggles going on at present

throughout the industrial belt - the growing support for striking Bristow pilots, the Laird-Portch women's struggle for equal pay, the workers' struggle at Sunbeam Electric and Hayward Tylers in East Kilbride for union rights and against steward victimisation. Of the complicated power station men's dispute which threatened all of Scotland with power failure - not a whisper.

"Religion," Stalin said, "is moribund. It has no basis for development." It survives only on its own fear of death. Similarly, the tartan-clad nationalists fear the potential power of the working class.

The Scottish nationalist claims: "My only concern is Scotland. It is my country I care for above all." Yet unblinkered he sees only too clearly the whole nation: Britain and its labouring millions.

It is the workers' army on the move which makes him fear for himself and the class of exploiters he defends. His fear of revolution strikes much deeper than his professed "love of country". And so he is always harping back: to the clans; to the Princes of old; to the treaty of union. But never forward to struggle, class war, to revolution and the emancipation of the working class.

Agricultural decline

SINCE 1974-5 investment in agriculture has gone down by 20 per cent in real terms; production is down by a similar amount. There has, for example, been a drop of 100,000 tons in pig meat, even with the pig subsidy which the Government is preparing to drop.

Withdrawal from the EEC is not a sufficient step in itself: workers will do that as one step on the road to the assertion of our full sovereignty over, and employment of, all our resources - the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Yet another last chance

CALLAGHAN'S 'golden decade' dawns as the balance of payments moves into surplus and interest rates continue to fall, Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves reach a record high, North Sea oil begins to flow, and the leaders of the 'Free World' flock to London to solve all the problems of capitalism in a spirit of mutual cooperation and friendship.

No doubt that over the past three months there has been a surplus on current account of £126 million, yet the trend to import more and more manufactured goods continues - precisely those products that we already do or could make ourselves. British capitalism's frantic drive for exports since 1945 has not benefited the nation. Subsidised by taxpayers' money exports have proven extremely profitable, while our home market falls prey to Dutch, German, Japanese and US manufactures. Our own home-based industries close, the profits are invested abroad (eg ICI plans to base its future export expansion on a new plant to be built at Wilhelm-

Commonwealth or. Common woe

BRITISH Imperialism continues to play its old games. All the recent international conferences it has sponsored show how its clutch on world affairs becomes more grabbing at the same time as its hold is more precarious.

What the British are trying now is alliance with reactionary rulers the world over, setting up blocs with anyone providing only national independence is subverted. The Commonwealth is only one of such alliances.

The Kissinger-like journeying through Africa of Dr. Owen, and an 80 nation conference for "peace" in Southern Africa - all these have meant in fact is toleration of Rhodesian incursions into Zambia and Botswana, culminating in full-scale invasion and repulsion from Mozambique of Smith's forces.

Britain's main aim at this Commonwealth Conference is to block revolution and seek to divert all struggle and leadership out of the hands of those to whom it belongs and into its own

grip. To quote Callaghan in his opening speech to the Commonwealth Conference, "Short-sighted white minority governments in Southern Africa must move towards majority rule quickly or face greater bloodshed." To the Foreign Office, the Commonwealth is a bloc for reaction or it is nothing.

All such blocs are reactionary. The only correct attitude to the Commonwealth is that of the Seychelles - to have nothing to do with it. Long may that continue. Certainly there are disagreements within the Commonwealth, but we can derive no lasting satisfaction from temporary disunity.

The only real liberation is by one's own people in one's own country - for socialism. As one of the Zimbabwe freedom fighters said recently: "Does anyone expect that on the basis of vague promises from the US and the UK we should cause our war to stop? No, we will go on fighting."

Save Britain!

Save our hospitals!

A REPORT from the Shropshire Area Health Authority threatens the existence of seven cottage hospitals. We are told their closure will help "pay for the projected new Telford General Hospital" due to open in the 1980's.

So we are to lose five hospitals now, two a bit later, in order to finance a hospital opening maybe in 1987! People in Shropshire have a choice: either ensure your perfect health, without any health care, for the next ten years - or fight to maintain and improve health services now!

Save our transport (1)

TRADE union leaders representing 1200 busmen in North Staffordshire and South Cheshire have confirmed plans to go ahead with strike action against an "unacceptable cut in services." The works convenor at the Potteries Motor Traction headquarters said: "The company could not have picked a worse time to introduce these measures. Only a

few weeks ago our campaign started to fight further cuts in services and higher fares. The union have 100 per cent support for the strike action."

Save our transport (2)

A REPORT from Stafford's Borough Surveyor states: "professional engineers and surveyors throughout the country are expressing their dismay at the continuing cuts, often disguised by inflation, in expenditure on road maintenance... it is difficult to see this country ever having a highway network appropriate for a prosperous industrial nation."

In Stafford itself, the sum now available for maintenance is 50 per cent less, in real terms, than in 1973-4. Also footpaths are becoming worse, and there is an increase in accidents to pedestrians: one insurance company has reported an increase of 15 per cent in the number of claims.

Industrial decline endangers our very lives.

Economics Editor of the Sunday Times was forced to admit "the fundamental truth that almost anything any government can do to improve our welfare, or our level of unemployment in the long run, is really very small, however much ministers try to make their achievements appear great."

No doubt that North Sea oil is beginning to flow, yet much of it is already flowing abroad, and in their frantic scramble for quick profit the oil companies will bleed the field dry in less than 15 years. Meanwhile Shell is expected to make £1,700 million profit this year, £80 million of which has already been made by selling off old stock at the new price levels.

No doubt the dying beast of capitalism may yet give another roar which may delude some that it will spring into life again, but its decay is absolute. The danger is that the rotting carcass will spawn the malignant offspring, fascism, if we delude ourselves that we can co-exist with the monster instead of giving it the final blow.

Stay not thy hand - the beast must die!

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NATFHE takes a stand on defence of skill

A CAMPAIGN for the defence of skill and educational standards was begun at the second conference of the National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education at Harrogate, which took place over the Spring Bank Holiday.

The question of skill and education occupied a major part of the three-day conference. The 400 delegates began the conference with a debate on the question of training and education of young people, with special reference to unemployed youth. As the discussion proceeded, a unified and clear stand against the government's schemes for training and education in such places as skill centres, outside the established colleges of further education, emerged. Conference called upon the Government to make available sufficient funds to allow for the proper expansion in the further education sector.

On the final session the conference returned to the question of skill. The newly instituted technician courses promoted by the Technician Education Council (TEC) came under attack by delegates from all over the country. TEC was formed by the Department of Education and Science (DES) to rationalise technician courses run by City and Guilds and the ordinary and higher national certificate and diploma courses (ONC, OND, HNC and

HND). The purpose of any rationalisation is to make savings, in this case the victim is the high standard achieved by the existing and well-tryed courses. The standard of the final qualification is to be lowered, with the result that the majority of students would be unable to proceed into higher education. Conference called for a change in the composition of the councils and committees of the TEC to include representatives of interested organisations for only thereby can a check be kept on the standards of the new courses. Conference also called for adequate time allowances for the extra workload lecturers are required to undertake as a result of the introduction of TEC courses. Branches and Liaison Committees were urged to use all available means to obtain these time allowances, and members were encouraged to refuse to cooperate in the introduction of these courses until clearly defined administrative time allowances have been negotiated with local authorities.

The defence of 16-19 year olds, labelled by the Government as "surplus to requirements", the defence of education in skills against dilution and destruction; industrial Britain; these were the crucial issues revised at this Conference. These issues must be pursued by every section of the trade union movement.

Building design workers choose TASS

IN LONDON at a one day conference held recently, under the auspices of the New Architecture Movement, architects and structural engineers agreed to mount a campaign for union membership amongst the 20,000 largely unorganised private sector building design workers.

The conference had to decide upon the form of organisation to seek, and a report was presented on the results of negotiations with various Trades Unions. The result of a secret ballot was a convincing majority in favour of organising within TASS, the white collar section of the AUEW.

A recruitment campaign has now been launched, with the result that the first Building Design branch of TASS has already held

its inaugural meeting.

The conference is a reflection of the growing realisation amongst design staff that capitalism in Britain today is prepared to abandon even basic industries such as construction.

Fresh impetus was added to the movement for unionisation by a recent RIBA survey of architectural employment, which revealed a 30 per cent reduction in private office staffing levels since Jan. 1975. Last year alone over 2500 architects lost their jobs, and the future looks blacker still. The value of architects' new commissions, at 1970 prices, has declined from a quarterly average of over £800 million in 1973 to a mere £280 million by the end of 1976.

Oppose every cut in Leeds

OFFICIAL figures issued by Leeds City Council, the largest employer in the city, show that from March 1975 to March 1977, 1599 jobs have been lost. The immediate result of the cuts in public expenditure is that an average 16 jobs a week have been lost. These cutbacks have occurred mainly in the Social Service, Education, Leisure Services and Public Works sectors. The number of jobs lost is an upward trend, the trend has continued since March and no reversal is possible under capitalism. Attempts to confuse the issue by the introduction of short term employment schemes, job creation etc., have only presented a smokescreen - a veiled attempt to hide the extent of the damage to public services and the loss of jobs. Unemployment in Leeds is higher than the surrounding locality, industry is

declining faster than the national average.

Unemployment figures in Leeds are 9799 men and 2989 women for May. Cuts in public expenditure are swelling the ranks of the unemployed, with the threatened closures of Burton's Tailoring in the city, another 750 jobs are likely to be lost, mainly women: there are no employment prospects.

Attempts to divide the white collar workers from manual workers, as argued by certain "leftists", arguments that certain cuts cannot be avoided, must be opposed. The fight for the right to work must embrace opposition to every cut in the public sector and the fight to save every job in the manufacturing sector. The only cutting acceptable, the only redundancy acceptable must be that of capitalism!



Letter Child care in Britain

Dear Editor,

THE WORKER article in issue 10 on childminding missed the whole point. The main cause for concern is not the "pitiful condition" of childminding but the pitiful condition of nursery provision.

Over the past five years the role of the day nursery has been curtailed while the demand for nursery places has risen. Whereas previously single parents would qualify for a day nursery place, so they could go to work

and support themselves and their child, now many local authorities have made it almost impossible to obtain a place on these grounds. This has been highlighted by the growing need for places for children who may be "at risk", whether through poor home conditions, developmental delay or injury.

The demand for day nursery places has outstripped supply and will continue to do so unless we begin to fight for adequate state provision.

Seacroft Hospital

ON Tuesday 10th May, Operating Department Assistants (ODA), acting in defence of their skills and with concern over the safety of patients, were locked out by management, for refusing to perform duties, unsupervised, using trainee technicians. This dispute has been a source of longstanding conflict between NUPE and the hospital authorities. The argument ranges over staffing numbers, training and preservation of jobs in the face of cutbacks. Other theatre technicians face similar problems in other hospitals in Leeds.

The dispute started when trainee technicians were asked to perform the duties of a senior technician. Usually in the absence of a senior technician, a qualified technician covers and receives an allowance. The trainee refused, as it placed both patient and trainee in a vulnerable position in regard to responsibility if mistakes occurred. After management pressure a trainee accepted to 'act up', and management were forced to concede the appropriate allowance. But this was against Union policy, and the Union refused to allow the trainee to 'act up'. Discussions took place hoping for agreement under the Lewin Report on Operating Theatre procedures. As these fell through, pressure was again applied to the trainee. After trainees' refusal to do the duty without supervision, the management told the staff that operations could not recommence before Friday, so sending staff home without pay for Wednesday and

At a time when cuts in public expenditure are increasing, local authorities are looking for cheaper methods of child care: childminding would appear to be an ideal answer. After all, childminders care for the children in their own homes, provide the food and light and often play equipment and toys. How ideal - no need to build new nurseries, no trained staff to employ, no food, heating, lighting, repairs, toys to pay for.

Some local authorities are employing childminders now as salaried staff. They give them a mere six-week basic training and then use them to reduce their waiting lists for day nursery places. Often the childminders have pre-school children of their own and are forced to take on this job because of the lack of facilities for their own children. But the "basic training" given by the local authority - if indeed any is given - is an outright attack on nursery nurses and standards of nursery nursing.

Nursery nurses undergo two years training for their qualification, the NNEB. During those two years, the nurse learns how to provide a stimulating, enjoyable, loving, creative and learning environment - all essential if the pre-school child is to develop normally.

But the local authorities are cutting back drastically on their intake of students for the NNEB. Not only are the childminders themselves being exploited, they are also being used by the local authorities as an excuse not to build new nurseries and train new staff.

The message is clear: no cheap methods of childcare! Our demand is more day nurseries, we demand for our pre-school children the same as we demand for those in school - a decent standard of education and care taught by qualified teachers.

From a London nursery nurse.

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Friday, June 24th	"Food mountains, want amidst plenty"
Friday, July 1st	"Save our public transport"
Friday, July 8th	"Socialism, not the Labour Party"
Friday, July 15th	"Revolution, not World War"

Thursday. Management so cancelled many operations. Hysteria whipped up in the local press about a so-called 'sit-in' and damage to patients is a scare tactic of management intent on intimidating the technicians. If management had proceeded with their original plan

the patients' health may have been seriously threatened. The principled stand of the NUPE health workers is in the interests of the patients. The dispute continues to simmer, the workers having returned to work while discussions take place.