

SKULL AND

20 PENCE

CROSSBONES

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AMERICA'S TOP TEN EARNERS (£)

Michel David Weill, Lazard Freres	75.75m
George Soros, Soros Fund Mgt	54.5-60m
Richard Dennis, C&D Com	48.5m
Michael Milken, Drexel Burnham	39.4-48.5m
J Morton Davis, D H Blair	36.3-39.4m
Jerome Kohlberg, KKR	30.3
Henry Kravis, KKR	30.3
George Roberts, KKR	30.3
Raymond Chao, KKR	30.3
William O'Neil, KKR	30.3

BRITAIN'S TOP TEN EARNERS (£)

Christopher Heath, Baring Brothers	2,512,595
Peter Stormonth Darling, Warburg	1,051,000
Michael Slade, Helical Bar	1,106,000
Sir Ralph Halpern, Burton	1,004,000
Robert Fleming's highest paid director	910,000
Richard Giordano, British Oxygen	772,800
Stanley Kalms, Dixons	659,200
WGRS's highest paid director	622,000
Sir John Nott, Lazard	570,471
Warburg	478,000

CONSCIENCE

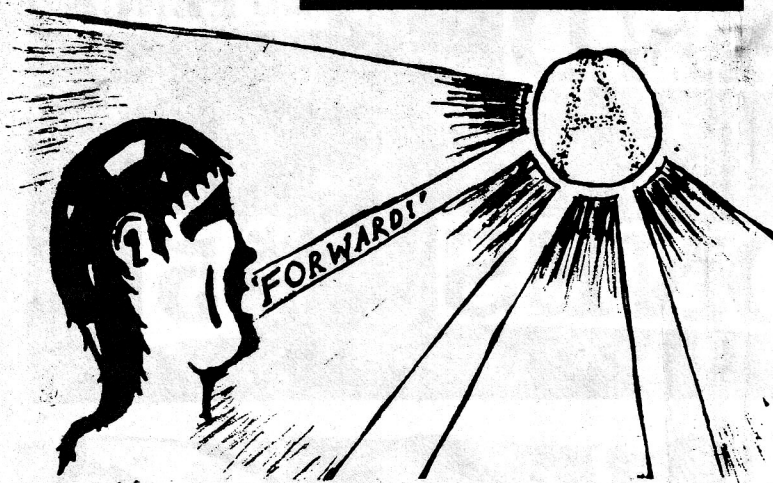
ATAVISTIC

DAN

FEED YOUR HEAD

INSIDE: CLASS WAR?
'PUNX' PICNICS x DRUGS
x THE POLL TAX x
PLASTIC BULLETS

INTRODUCTION



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ANOTHER INTRO...

WELL HERE WE ARE AT *5 NOW, I HOPE YOU'LL FIND THIS ONE A FURTHER IMPROVEMENT ON PAST EFFORTS. I'VE HAD A COUPLE OF ANNOYING HASSLES IN THE PAST COUPLE OF MONTHS WEAT WITH PRESSGANG SENDING *4 OFF TO DEVIATED INSTINCT INSTEAD OF MYSELF. THIS CAUSED A DELAY OF OVER TWO MONTHS. THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN THE FIRST OF MAY BOOKSHOP, WHERE I HAD A BOX NUMBER AT, CLOSED DOWN. THIS MEANT ME HAVING TO SPEND NEARLY £6 ON GETTING MY MAIL REDIRECTED FOR 3 MONTHS. SO SORRY TO ANYONE WHO'S BEEN WAITING AGES FOR A REPLY. ANYWAY, 1987 HAS BEEN AND GONE TOO QUICKLY FOR MY LIKING. "TIME FLIES BUT..." I SPENT A GOOD BIT OF TIME (AND MONEY) TRAVELLING TO VARIOUS GIGS AND EVENTS AROUND THE U.K. OUT OF ALL THE PICNICS I THOUGHT THE LEEDS ONE WAS THE BEST, PROBABLY DUE TO THE EXTREME LACK OF DICKHEADS IN ATTENDANCE. LOOKING BACK ON THE YEAR, UNFORTUNATELY I SEE THAT ALL THE BAD POINTS OF OUR SO CALLED 'MOVEMENT' REARED THEIR HEADS AGAIN- GIG VIOLENCE, RIP-OFF MERCHANTS, BICKERING, BANDS SELLING OUT (IT LOOKS LIKE METAL IS FINALLY TAKING ITS TOLL). THOUGH HOWEVER BAD THE SCENE MAY SEEM AT TIMES THE GOOD SIDE USUALLY SHINES THRU'. SO I'D LIKE TO SAY HANK! TO ALL THE GOOD PEOPLE I MET, PEOPLE I TRADED ZINES ETC. WITH, HONEST GIG PROMOTERS, SINCERE BANDS, THE MANY FOLK WHO GAVE ME A PLACE TO KIP AT...ITS PEOPLE LIKE THEM WHO GIVE YOU THE INSPIRATION TO KEEP GOING ON. THERE IS HOPE! CURRENTLY I'M INVOLVED IN TRYING TO SET UP A GROUP WITH THE AIM OF PUTTING ON GIGS IN EDINBURGH, DOING DIRECT ACTION, POSSIBLY A ZINE. SO I HOPE ALL THE SO CALLED 'PUNK' IN EDINBURGH FORGET THEIR SQUABLES AND CO-OPERATE. "DIVIDED WE ARE NOTHING". SO AS I WRITE THE SEASON OF GOODWILL(?) RAPIDLY APPROACHES AND THE WORLD IS EVEN MORE FUCKED UP THAN IT WAS LAST YEAR. I WONDER HOW MANY TURKEYS WILL BE NEEDLESSLY SLAUGHTERED THIS CHRISTMAS? HOW MANY OLD PEOPLE WILL BE KILLED OFF BY THE GOVERNMENT? HOW MANY 'CUTE' PUPPIES WILL BE CRUELLY DISCARDED, DROWNED OR SHOT AFTER ITS 'OWNERS' FIND OUT THEY CAN'T AFFORD TO KEEP IT? HOW MANY INNOCENT PEDESTRIANS WILL BE KILLED BY DRUNKEN DRIVERS ON HOGMONAY? HOW MUCH WEIGHT WILL THE RICH BASTARDS PUT ON WHILE PEOPLE STARVE? THIS ISSUES SLOGAN IS... STARVE THE RICH-LET THEM KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS TIME. THERE'S SO MUCH WRONG WITH SOCIETY. YOU CAN DO YOUR BIT BY CHANGING YOURSELF. ITS NOT HARD TO DO, GIVE IT A TRY! LASTLY AND IT PROBABLY GOES WITHOUT SAYING..."IF YOUR EATING A TURKEY THIS XMAS- THEN I HOPE IT FUCKING CHOKES YOU!"

LOVE, HOPE AND ANARCHY.

JOHN @.

A FEW HELLO'S TO SAY...COUNTER INFO, EDINBURGH KUNT SABS, FIRST OF MAY(R.I.P.), OI POLLOI, AOA, DOUGIE(THE TROJAN WARRIOR!), FATTY(KKRASH!), JOHN G, BRIDGIT, RAMSEY(P.A.), PAUL (T.F.Y.), CAROLE, ALAN(A.O.F.), BOABY, BRYCEY, STATE OF DECAY, SCOTT & DAVE(ANOREXIA), MANDY, NATALIE, CAT, GEOFF(JEFF?), JOOLS, TREV(H.A.G.L) PHIL & ADAM(NEWCASTLE MUST FUND), CAMILLA & DAZ, ANNE (LEEDS), ANNE & DAN(CHUMBAWOMBLE), THE NEXT WORLD, HEAVY DISCIPLINE, DEVIATED INSTINCT, STREAM OV AAARRGH!, GORDON(N.A.P.S.), SEL(W.A.A.), BEDDIS(COWBOY KILLERS), PAUL(LAWFUL TORTURE), KARL(W.O.W.), ADDER(ADREM), TAF (DISORDER), JAMIS(THE DISTURBED), BEN(SIX'O'LETTERS SLAGGING CONFLICT!), STEVE(666), ATAVISTIC, IAN(DAN), TOOT, TREV(YORK), JAMMY, TOXIK EPHEX, DONALD(HEAT-ALIKING), CAPTAIN GRASS, STENCHCORE, DR DOOM..., TOMMY (HOPE), GLENN, THE YOB, STU(SKINNY DOGGY), PAUL(P.CHILD) AND ANYONE ELSE I MIGHT HAVE FORGOT.

PRINTERS ADDRESSES:

JUMA, 27b SUMNER WORKSHOPS, 80 SUMNER ROAD, LONDON, SE15 6LA.
PRESSGANG, 77a WATER ST, CHEORLEY, LANCs, PR7 1ES.
NUFF ZA NUFF, PCL, 51 ELLENSHAW CLOSE, DARWIN, LANCs, BB3 3EY.
CLYDESIDE PRESS, 27 HIGH STREET, GLASGOW.
RANDOM PRESS, 22 CHILLINGTON ST, MAIDSTONE, KENT.
...I THINK RANDOM DO THE CHEAPEST PRINTING(DUPLICATING) BUT HOWEVER I MUST WARN YOU THESE PEOPLE ARE VERY STRANGE. THEY WEREN'T GOING TO PRINT *1 OF CROSSBONES UNTIL I HAD REMOVED THE WORD 'CUNT'. THEY SAID IT WAS SEXIST. THEY SAW FIT TO PRINT WORDS LIKE 'PRICK' AND 'DICK-HEAD' WHICH I HAD ALSO USED. A BIT OF SEXISM ON THEIR PART I THINK. THEY ALSO WONT PRINT 'PUNK' FANZINES. WHATEVER THAT MEANS. AND ANYONE WHO DARES TO CRITICISE CLASS WAR(LIKE DISORDER DID IN MY INTERVIEW IN *1) IS AN ARSEHOLE. JUST A WARNING.

I'D LIKE TO SAY THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR GIVING ME A ROOF OVER MY HEAD ON MY NUMEROUS TRAVELS THIS YEAR, CHEERS FOLKS!...SEL & VIC(BARNSELEY)-ANNE(LEEDS)-ALAN & BOABY(BARRHEAD)-MANDY,CAT,JOOLS & JEFF(GATESHEAD)-JIMMY(NEWCASTLE)-HOAGY(CLYDEBANK)-MAGGOT & SARAH(DUNDEE)-STREAM(DUNDEE)-IAN(B'RHUM)-DAZ & CAMILLA(NEWCASTLE)-DEREK(BARRHEAD) AND TO ANYONE ELSE WHO HAS OFFERED.

THANKS FOR THEIR HELP, CONTRIBUTIONS OR SUPPORT IN THE MAKING OF THIS ZINE GO TO IAN (DAN), JEREMY & JOHN (ATAVISTIC), FRANK & ROB (FEED YOUR HEAD), BRI, RHONA & HAMISH(CONSCIENCE), IAIN (A.U.K.) AND MIKE (COUNTER INFO). ALSO A THANKS TO EVERYBODY WHO HAS SOLD THE ZINE IN THE PAST OR SELLS THIS ONE(AND DOESN'T RIP ME OFF!). IF ANYONE THINKS THEY CAN SHIFT A FEW COPIES OF THIS ISSUE THEN SEND ME £2 FOR 10 COPIES.

Mad as Fuck

(DONT YOU THINK?) L.P.

I'M PUTTING TOGETHER A COMP TAPE CALLED "NOW, THATS WHAT THEY CALL DEMOCRACY" IT'LL BE AVAILABLE IN DECEMBER FOR £1.50 & S.A.E. FROM MY ADDRESS ON PAGE 2. BANDS ON IT INCLUDE DEVIATED INSTINCT, COWBOY KILLERS, ATAVISTIC, CHUMBAWAMBA, DANBERT NOBACON, MAXIMUM SECURITY, OI POLLOI AND ANOREXIA. IT LASTS 90 MINS AND COMES WITH BOOKLET AND COVER WITH 50p GOING TO THE 'BLACK WEDGE COLLECTIVE'. ALSO AVAILABLE FROM ME IS A TAPE WITH THE COWBOY KILLERS DEMO ON ONE SIDE AND THE RHETORIC DEMO ON THE OTHER SIDE. IT COSTS £1 INC POSTAGE AND COMES WITH COVERS. THE OI POLLOI/TOXIK EPHEX "MAD AS FUCK" LP IS AVAILABLE FOR £4 INC POSTAGE. "YOU ARE NOT ALONE" COMP E.P WITH HEX, STALAG 17, OI POLLOI AND SYMBOL OF FREEDOM COSTS £1.50 INC POSTAGE. ZINES AVAILABLE ARE 'NO RESTRICTIONS' *1 (50p), 'NOT A PRETTY SIGHT' *1 (25p) AND ADREM *3 (20p) POSTAGE IS A LARGE S.A.E.



AOA ARE PUTTING FINISHING TOUCHES ON THEIR FIRST FULL L.P. "SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT" THIS MONTH (NOVEMBER) AND THAT SHOULD HOPEFULLY BE OUT IN DECEMBER OR JANUARY. I HEAR THAT THOSE USED TO THEIR 100 MPH THRASH WILL BE IN FOR A SHOCK. WHAT COULD THIS MEAN??? I CAN TELL YOU THOUGH THERE IS NOTHING METAL ON IT! POLITICAL ASYLUM HAVE GOT A NEW GUITARIST AND ARE RE-RECORDING THEIR L.P. WITH HIM. EXPECT A RELEASE FROM THEM IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. MAXIMUM SECURITY SHOULD HAVE THEIR 2ND STUDIO DEMO AVAILABLE SOON (IF NOT NOW) AND I HEAR ITS GONNA HAVE THE EXCELLENT TITLE "HEROIN ADDICTION IS THE DISEASE-A.I.D.S. IS THE CURE". IF THEIR LIVE SET IS ANYTHING TO GO BY THEN THEY'VE SPEEDED UP A LITTLE. CONTACT BOABY, 94 DIVERNIA WAY, BARRHEAD, GLASGOW, G78 2PW FOR MORE DETAILS. A.U.K. FROM GLENROTHES WHO ICLUDE THE EX-ALTERNATIVE GUITARIST IN THEIR RANKS SHOULD HAVE A STUDIO DEMO OUT SOON HOPEFULLY, SEE ADDRESS ELSEWHERE. TOXIK EPHEX SHOULD HAVE THEIR 2ND E.P. "DOES SOMEONE HAVE TO DIE(TO SHOW WHAT HEROIN CAN DO)" OUT SOON. SO CHECK THAT OUT. LASTLY, DISORDER & DATA MORGANA FROM NORWAY ARE COMING TO DO A FEW GIGS AROUND THE U.K. IN NOVEMBER/DECEMBER. THEY SHOULD BE PLAYING IN EDINBURGH AT THE CALTON STUDIOS ON DEC 5TH WITH AOA, STATE OF DECAY AND A NEW LOCAL BAND CALLED DR DOOM AND THE DOG BISKITS FROM HELL. IF THAT GIG GOES WELL WE COULD HAVE A REGULAR VENUE HERE IN THE CAPITAL WITH CHUMBAWAMBA LINED UP SOON.

APATHY IN THE U.K.

"HOPE, NOT DOPE"

DAYS

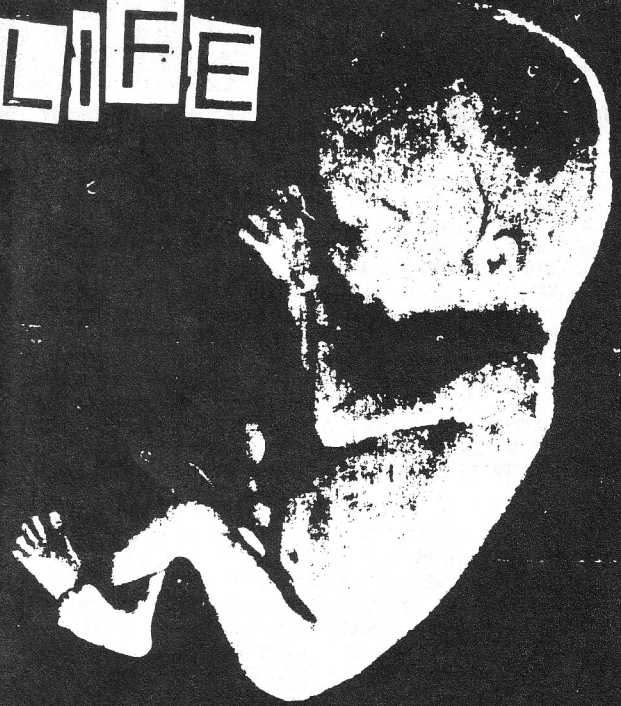
WHY DO SO MANY PEOPLE SEEM TO RELY ON DRUGS THESE DAYS TO HAVE FUN? APART FROM DESTROYING YOUR OWN LIFE, YOU'RE ALSO INFLECTING PAIN, MISERY AND SUFFERING ON OTHER HUMANS. DRUGS GENERALLY FUCK EVERYONE UP. TAKE A LOOK AT GIGS. THE MAIN REASON FOR TROUBLE AT GIGS IS QUITE SIMPLY ALCOHOL. DRUNKS STAGGERING ABOUT KNOCKING OVER TABLES AND CHAIRS, LURCHING ABOUT THROWING PUNCHES AT EACH OTHER, ITS SO FUCKIN PATHETIC. ALCOHOL IS GOOD FOR THE HUMAN BODY TAKEN IN MODERATION AS IT CLEANS THE HEART ARTERIES OF CHOLESTEROL AND SUCH SHITE, BUT TAKEN IN OVERDOSES IT DESTROYS YOUR LIVER AND BRAIN NOT TO MENTION DESTROYING SENSIBLE COMMUNICATION AND INVITING VIOLENCE. I'VE MET MANY DRUNKEN BASTARDS AT GIGS WHO ONCE SOBER ARE PEACEFUL, CARING, SENSIBLE PEOPLE. DRUGS LIKE HASH AND TOBACCO ARE WORSE. APART FROM FUCKING UP YOUR LUNGS YOU'RE DIRECTLY SUPPORTING THE SYSTEMATIC GASSING OF INNOCENT ANIMALS. ANIMALS DYING FOR YOUR FILTHY ANTI-SOCIAL UNNECESSARY HABIT, AS WELL AS SUPPORTING SLAVE LABOUR AND RICH BUSINESSMEN'S BANK ACCOUNTS YOUR ALSO HELPING TO DESTROY THE EARTH. THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF TREES ARE FELLED EACH YEAR TO BE BURNED IN ORDER TO DRY YOUR PIECE OF WEED. YES YOU'RE HELPING TO DESTROY OUR EARTH IN A WAY SIMILAR TO THAT OF COCA-COLA AND MACDONALDS. THE SAME APPLIES TO HASH. SOME PEOPLE, FOR SOME STRANGE REASON, CONNECT HASH WITH THE IDEAS OF ANARCHISM. AS HASH IS A SLAVE LABOUR PRODUCED CASH CROP WHICH PROVIDES ESCAPE FROM REALITY IT SEEMS TO ME TO BE THE OPPOSITE OF ANARCHIST PRINCIPLES. WHY DO PEOPLE TURN TO DRUGS? ITS NOT AS IF THEY'RE CHEAP OR HARMLESS, IS IT? I'D RATHER LET MYSELF GET CARRIED AWAY BY THE SHEER POWER AND ENERGY OF A DISORDER OR ANTISECT SONG OR MAYBE SOMETHING MORE MELODIC LIKE STEVE L OR DICK GAUGHN THAN TO FUCK UP MY BODY WITH A PIECE OF WEED. ALTERNATIVELY THERE'S NOTHING MORE PLEASANT AND RELAXING THAN A WALK THRU THE BEAUTIFUL SCENERY OF THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS (FOR EXAMPLE) ON A SUNNY DAY. YES IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE A LAUGH AND TO SMILE BUT DOES MEAN BECOMING PART OF WHAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE AGAINST? BY DESTROYING YOURSELF YOU'RE PLAYING RIGHT INTO THEIR HANDS AND YOU'RE NOT GETTING ANY CLOSER TO THE WORLD THAT YOU WANT...

NO DOUBT SOME OF YOU WILL BE THINKING "WHO THE HELL IS HE TO SAY WHAT PEOPLE SHOULD AND SHOULDN'T DO?" WELL YES, THAT IS VERY TRUE. BUT ON THE OTHER HAND WHO THE FUCK ARE YOU TO POLLUT MY LUNGS. KILL YOURSELF BY ALL MEANS, BUT DONT TAKE ME WITH YOU. DO YOU HONESTLY THINK I ENJOY BREATHING IN YOUR DISGUSTING CIGARETTE SMOKE? OR WIPING ALCOHOL-BASED VOMIT OF MY SHOES AFTER SOME DRUNK HAS PUKED OVER THEM? ASK YOURSELF WHO'S BEING THE FASCIST NOW?

Cash crisis in rest homes hits elderly Pensions blow

SOME OF YOU WILL HAVE HEARD OF POLLOI'S SONG "ON THE SCRAPHEAP" ABOUT THE WAY OLD PEOPLE ARE BEING TREATED BY THE GOVERNMENT, WELL HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT DOING YOUR BIT TO BIT TO HELP THEM. ITS ALL VERY WELL GOING ON ABOUT ANIMAL RIGHTS OR THE STARVING IN THE THIRD WORLD BUT SOMETIMES WE TEND TO FORGET SOME OF INJUSTICES ON OUR OWN DOORSTEPS. WHILE POLITICIANS VOTE THEMSELVES 40p PAY RISES THEY DISH OUT A MERE 40p A WEEK RISE TO OUR SENIOR CITIZENS. YOU DONT NEED ME TO TELL YOU THAT EVERY WINTER THOUSANDS OF OLD FOLK DIE OF HYPOTHERMIA. EVEN THOUGH MOST OLD PEOPLES HOMES DO A GRAND JOB IN LOOKING AFTER THE ELDERLY EVEN SOME OF THEM ARE NOT A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE OLD. SO MAKE SURE THIS WINTER THAT THERE'S NOT SOME SICK, ARTHRITIC OLD PERSON LYING DYING NEXT DOOR TO YOU. EVEN IF THE PEOPLE OR PERSON CONCERNED ARE WARM & COSY ITS STILL A GOOD THOUGHT TO PAY THEM A VISIT TO CHEER THEM UP. REMEMBER IT COULD BE YOU ONE DAY.

CHOOSE LIFE



CONSCIENCE

CONSCIENCE ARE A FAIRLY NEW BAND WHO HAIL FROM THE WEST OF SCOTLAND-CLYDEBANK. I GOT TO SEE THEM 'SUPPORTING' CULTURE SHOCK IN AUGUST AND EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE MINUS A BASSIST (MONTY BEING ARRESTED AT THE KELVINGROVE 'RIOT') I WAS STILL IMPRESSED. HANX! TO BRI, HAMISH AND RHONA FOR THE ANSWERS...

A BRIEF HISTORY FIRST... BRI...CONSCIENCE STARTED AROUND MAY '86 SINCE THEN WE'VE HAD A FEW LINE UP CHANGES. BUT WE HOPE THAT THE PRESENT ONE OF RHONA & BRI-VOCALS, HAMISH-GUITAR, MONTY-BASS AND BILLY-DRUMS, IS PERMANENT. UP TO NOW WE'VE PLAYED FOUR GIGS (JULY '87) AND ALTHOUGH WE HAVN'T HAD MUCH OF A RECEPTION AT THEM WE'VE ENJOYED THEM. THOUGH THE BAND WE HOPE TO GET OUR IDEAS ACROSS TO PEOPLE ABOUT THE WAY WE FEEL AND IF WE SUCCEEDED IN THIS THEN WE'LL HAVE ACHIEVED SOMETHING.

DOES THE BAND GET INVOLVED IN DIRECT ACTION OF ANY SORT? PROTEST GROUPS, PICKETS, 'ZINES...? BRI...AS A BAND WE AREN'T INVOLVED IN ANY DIRECT ACTION EXCEPT THRU' OUR SONGS BUT INDIVIDUALLY WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN STUFF LIKE HUNT SABS, FLYPOSTING AND ACTIONS AGAINST BUTCHERS AND FUR SHOPS. AS FAR AS I KNOW NO ONE IN THE BAND IS INVOLVED IN ANY PROTEST GROUPS AND ALTHOUGH SOME PICKETS ARE WORTHWHILE MOST OF THEM DONT SEEM TO ACHIEVE MUCH. AT THE MOMENT I'M IN THE PROCESS OF DOING A ZINE CALLED "SCREAMS OF SILENCE" BUT AT THE RATE I'M DOING IT IT'LL TAKE AGES TO COME OUT SO IF ANYONE HAS ANY ARTICLES, POEMS ETC, THEN SEND THEM TO ME AND I'LL PUT THEM IN THE ZINE AS LONG AS THEY'RE WORTHWHILE (NO NAZI, RACIST OR BIGOTED STUFF).

CAN YOU SEE THE SCOTTISH PEOPLE, HAVING SAID 'FUCK OFF TO THATCHER, REACTING AGAINST ANOTHER 5 YEARS OF TORY RULE? DID YOU VOTE?

BRI...ALTHOUGH THE SCOTTISH PEOPLE USED THEIR VOTES TO TELL MAGGIE TO FUCK OFF I THINK THATS AS FAR AS IT'LL GO COS MOST PEOPLE IN SCOTLAND ARE APATHETIC AND HAVE THE ATTITUDE OF "IF IT DOESN'T HAPPEN OUTSIDE MY FRONT DOOR THEN WHY BOTHER" AND THATS A LOAD OF SHIT CAUSE THATCHER IS DRAINING THIS COUNTRY OF EVERYTHING, THE VAST MAJORITY OF SCOTLAND SEEMS TO BE UNEMPLOYED AND LIVING IN SHITHOLES THAT ARE CALLED HOUSES SO INSTEAD OF JUST USING THEIR VOTES THE SCOTTISH PEOPLE SHOULD GET OFF THEIR ARSES AND DO SOMETHING POSITIVE. THE NEXT THING THAT SHE'LL PROBABLY DO IS DUMP HER NUCLEAR WASTE HERE THEN WE'LL DEFINATELY BE A WASTELAND. YES, I VOTE LABOUR IN THE ELECTION IN THE HOPE OF ENDING THATCHER'S STRANGLEHOLD ON BRITAIN, AT THE TIME I SAW IT AS THE ONLY HOPE BUT ALAS IT NEVER HAPPENED SO WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO NOW...?

CONSCIENCE

WHAT BANDS/ARTISTS ARE CONSCIENCE CURRENTLY RAVING ABOUT? DOES ANYONE INFLUENCE YOUR MUSIC?

BRI...I WOULDN'T SAY THAT ANYONE REALLY INFLUENCES OUR MUSIC BUT CERTAIN BANDS IDEAS HAVE INFLUENCED THE SONG WRITING ALTHOUGH MOST IDEAS COME FROM WHAT I AND THE OTHERS HAVE READ, HEARD OR SEEN. AS FOR BANDS THAT WE LIKE WELL THATS A TRICKY ONE CAUSE THEY WOULDN'T ALL FIT ON THE PAGE BUT THE ONES THAT I CURRENTLY RAVE ABOUT ARE THE APOSTLES, ATAVISTIC, CHUMBAWAMBA, HELL-BASTARD, MOTORHEAD, PINK FLOYD AND AMEBIX WHEREAS HAMISH AND RHONA LIKE EARLIER STUFF LIKE EDDIE & THE HOT RODS, SLAUGHTER & THE DOGS, THEY ALSO LIKE CHUMBAWAMBA AND CULTURE SHOCK. MONTY AND BILLY ARE INTO MORE TRASHIER STUFF LIKE DISORDER, CHACS UK, DISCHARGE AND ANTISECT.

WHATS YOUR VIEWS OF THIS HARDCORE/METAL TREND ABOUT AT THE MOMENT? ARE ANY OF YOU SKATEBOARD FANATICS?

BRI...I LIKED THE HARDCORE/METAL BANDS WHEN IT FIRST STARTED TO APPEAR IN THE PUNK SCENE COS IT WAS DIFFERENT AND FULL OF ENERGY BUT NOWADAYS THERE SEEMS TO BE LOADS OF THESE TYPE OF BANDS AND ITS BECOMING BORING AND BLAND ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME GOOD ONES. NO I WOULDN'T SAY THAT ANY OF US ARE SKATEBOARD FANATICS BUT MONTY AND EITHER HAMISH OR RHONA HAVE 'EM BUT I DONT KNOW IF THEY USE THEM.

HAVE YOU SEEN CHUMBAWAMBA LIVE? WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THEM? WILL WE EVER SEE CONSCIENCE CHANGING THEIR STYLE OF MUSIC TO GET ACROSS TO A WIDER AUDIENCE? OR DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD STILL TRY TO 'CONVERT' THE MAJORITY OF APATHETIC JUNKIES IN OUR 'SCENE' TODAY?

BRI...ON RECORD CHUMBAWAMBA ARE ACE, ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING BANDS AROUND (EXCEPT MAYBE FOR THE APOSTLES) AS FOR LIVE THEY'RE EXCELLENT, THEY REALLY MAKE IT WORTHWHILE GOING TO GIGS SO IF ANYONE AINT SEEN THEM YET THEN TRY CAUSE ITS WORTH THE EFFORT. CONSCIENCE WON'T BE CHANGING THEIR STYLE OF MUSIC CAUSE AT PRESENT WE PLAY A MIXTURE OF THRASH AND SLOW STUFF SO WE HAVE A CHANCE OF REACHING A VARIETY OF PEOPLE. AS FOR TRYING TO CONVERT THE APATHETIC, WELL WE CAN ONLY TRY CAUSE IF WE'RE TO GAIN ANYTHING OUT OF OUR SCENE THEN WE MUST BE TOGETHER SO WE MUST EITHER CONVERT THE DICK-HEAD JUNKIES AND ARSEHOLES OR ELSE SLING THEM ALTOGETHER. THATS THE ONLY DRAWBACK OF OUR MOVEMENT CAUSE SOME PEOPLE STILL ASSOCIATE 'PUNK' WITH THE SWASTIKA WEARING BRIGADE AND THE MORONIC ARSEHOLES WHO CAUSE NOTHING BUT HASSLE (AT GIGS, IN THE STREET OR PUB) AND UNLESS WE DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM THEN WE'LL ACHEIVE VERY LITTLE.

DO ANY OF YOU GO ON THE HUNT SABS? I'VE HEARD THAT THE GLASGOW SABS ARE QUITE SUCCESSFUL, CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THEM?

HAMISH/RHONA...YES! WE GO ON HUNT SABS THOUGH NOT AS OFTEN AS WE SHOULD. THE GLASGOW HUNT SABS ARE VERY SUCCESSFUL AND ORGANISED. IT WOULD BE FOOLISH TO TELL YOU ABOUT THEM AS YOU NEVER KNOW WHO COULD GET HOLD OF THIS INTERVIEW, ANYWAY THE HUNSMEN ARE FUCKING USELESS THEY HARDLY CAUGHT ANYTHING LAST SEASON AND SEEM TO BE RESORTING TO VIOLENCE MORE AND MORE TO DISCOURAGE THE SABBERS, BUT WE'LL NEVER GIVE IN, THESE SNOBBY CUNTS WILL HAVE TO GO FIRST.

DO YOU THINK VIOLENCE AGAINST ANIMAL ABUSERS SHOULD BE USED? OR DO YOU THINK A MIXTURE OF BOTH TYPES OF ACTION (VIOLENT AND NON-VIOLENT) IS BEST? WHAT ARE YOUR OPINIONS OF MONEY WASTING HIERARCHAL ORGANISATIONS LIKE THE BUAV?

HAMISH/RHONA...WE THINK A MIXTURE OF VIOLENT AND NON-VIOLENT ACTION IS BEST BECAUSE IT GIVES YOU A WIDER CHOICE OF TACTICS TO USE, ONE OR THE OTHER TYPE IS TOO CONFUSING IN WHAT YOU CAN ACHEIVE, BUT AS FAR AS THE ACTUAL ABUSERS SUCH AS VIVISECTORS, HUNSMEN ARE CONCERNED THEY NEED A DAMNED GOOD THRASHING! THE B.U.A.V. ARE A BIT 'IFFY' IN SO MUCH AS DOES ALL THE MONEY GO WHERE ITS SUPPOSED TO OR DOES IT LINE SOME BASTARDS POCKETS, BUT MOST BIG ORGANISATIONS ARE LIKE THIS, I THINK LOCAL BRANCHES OF B.U.A.V. SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO SET UP THEIR OWN PROJECTS AS THIS MAY TAKE AWAY THE AMBIGUITY OF A MORE HIERARCHAL SET UP. GIVE THEM THEIR DUE THOUGH THEY STILL DO A LOT OF GOOD WORK, IF ONLY AS USUAL, RED TAPE WOULD NOT GET IN THE WAY.



DO WE GIVE OUR CONSENT

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD THIS EXPRESSION BEFORE...? 'MORTIMER' IRVING'S JUST A TRAINING GROUND FOR WHAT WILL HAPPEN HERE... WILL ITS FINALLY HAPPENED AFTER ALL THE PUBLIC OUTCRY AND MEDIA COVERAGE THE GOVERNMENT HAVE WENT AND AWAYED THE SCUM OF THE EARTH (POLICE) WITH PLASTIC BULLETS. NOW THE GREAT BRITISH BODIES HAVE GOT ALL THE AUTHORIZATION THAT THEY NEED TO KILL AND MURDER THE PEOPLE OF THE STREET (YOU AND ME). THATCHER'S SERVANTS WHO ARE MEANT TO BE HERE FOR OUR PROTECTION (SICK JOKE) ARE ACTUALLY HERE TO STOP US FROM ENJOYING THE HIGH LIFE (ROYALTY, M.P.'S LOVES AND ALL OTHER BASTARD WHO HAVE THEIR HANDS IN OUR POCKETS) OF OUR GREAT NATION AND TAKING BACK THE WEALTH (OUR WORK AND TOIL) THAT THEY STOLE FROM US THROUGH EXPLOITATION AND MANIPULATION. WHILE YOU ARE READING THIS YOU WILL PROBABLY BE THINKING... "IF WE DO NOTHING WRONG THEN WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR..." IF YOU THINK THIS THEN YOU ARE SO FUCKIN STUPID OR CAN'T YOU SEE THE INNOCENT PEOPLE THAT HAVE DIED OR BEEN SERIOUSLY INJURED AT THE HANDS OF THE POLICE...?

STYRIEN MALDORF AN INNOCENT MOTORIST WHO WAS SHOT DEAD IN A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY.
GAIL KIRCHIN THE SIXTEEN YEAR OLD PRESIDENT GIRL WHO WAS SHOT DEAD BY A POLICE MARSHAL WHILE SHE WAS BEING USED AS A SHIELD BY AN EX-BOTFRIEND.
CHEN-BY BROCK A MOTHER OF SIX WHO WAS LEFT PARALYSED AFTER BEING SHOT (ACCIDENTALLY) BY POLICE IN A RAID ON HER HOME.
JOHN SHORTHOUSE THIS INNOCENT CHILD WHO WAS SHOT DEAD BY A POLICE MARSHAL AS HE LAY IN HIS BED.
THESE PEOPLE ARE AN EXAMPLE OF CALLOUS POLICE BRUTALITY AND IF THIS IS THE PROTECTION THAT THE STATE OFFERS US THEN WE WANT NO PART OF IT...WHAT ABOUT YOU? (CON:SCIENCE '86)
*CONTACT ADDRESS: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED].

PROTECTION
OR
PREVENTION



WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE MASS RIOTING AT ANTI NUCLEAR DEMONSTRATIONS IN WEST GERMANY? SHOULD THE SAME TACTICS BE USED IN THE UK? WHATS YOUR OPINIONS ON THE GREENHAM COMMON WOMEN? (OR 'WIMMIN')

BRI...AS I DONT SEE MUCH TELEVISION OR READ A LOT OF PAPERS I CANT REALLY COMMENT ON THE RIOTS IN GERMANY BUT I DO THINK THAT SOMETHING ALONG THESE LINES SHOULD BE USED AT DEMO'S IN THE UK (AS LONG AS ITS AIMED AT THE RIGHT PEOPLE) CAUSE OF WHAT I COULD SEE AT PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS NOTHING WAS ACHEIVED EXCEPT MAYBE SOME PUBLICITY, ANYWAY WEATS THE POINT OF BEING HERDED AROUND LIKE A SHEEP BY THE STATES SHEPHERDS (POLICE). WHEN I FIRST HEARD OF THE GREENHAM COMMON WIMMIN THEY REALLY PISSSED ME OFF CAUSE I THOUGHT THEIR WOMEN ONLY STANCE WAS BIGOTED AND UNCALLED FOR BUT NOW I'M BEGINNING TO REALISE WHY THEY DID IT, FOR THEIR OWN PROTECTION... YES, PROTECTION FROM THE MALE SPECIES. NOW I KNOW ALL MEN AREN'T RAPISTS AND THE MAJORITY WOULDN'T EVEN THINK OF SUCH A COWARDLY DEED BUT THE RAPES AT MOLESWORTH PEACE CAMP SHOWED WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN MALES AND FEMALES ARE LIVING TOGETHER EVEN IN PEACE CAMPS WOMEN ARE NOT SAFE FROM MALE VIOLENCE TOWARDS THEM. SO I BELIEVE THAT THE WOMEN ONLY STANCE IS RIGHT... HOPEFULLY IN THE FUTURE MALES AND FEMALES CAN MIX WITHOUT PEOPLE FEELING UNSAFE CAUSE TOGETHER WE ARE A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH, WHEREAS DIVIDED WE ARE NOTHING.

HAVE YOU BEEN ON A 'PUNK' PICNIC? WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE IDEA?

HAMISH/RHONA...YES WE GO TO THE PICNICS, THEY ARE A GREAT IDEA, FOR MEETING PEOPLE, BUYING ZINES, TAPES, RECORDS ETC. BUT THERE ARE ALWAYS SOME ARSEHOLES THAT SPOIL THEM BY FIGHTING, FLINGING BOTTLES ABOUT AND GENERALLY BEING MACHO. LETS HOPE THAT THE PEOPLE THAT GO TO PICNICS FOR GENUINE REASONS ARE NOT PUT OFF BY THESE IDIOTS.

CONSCIENCE

CONTINUED...

IS THERE STILL A HIGH NUMBER OF RELIGIOUS BIGOTS IN AND AROUND GLASGOW? WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF RELIGION? HAMISH/RHONA...DEFINATELY! THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A LOT OF BIGOTS IN AND AROUND GLASGOW, THE PLACES SHRIVES ON BIGOTRY. PLACES LIKE DRUMCHAPEL ARE CALLED 'LITTLE ULSTER'. ITS RUMOURED YOU CAN BUY CERTAIN ITEMS TO FURTHER THE CAUSE, IRA, UDA, ETC. ITS ALWAYS BEEN THE SAME IN GLASGOW, THE USUAL FOOTBALL TEAM ARGUMENTS DEVELOP INTO FULL SCALE RELIGIOUS WARS. THE UNUSUAL THING IS THE PEOPLE WHO START THE ARGUMENTS HAVE PROBABLY NEVER BEEN IN A CHURCH/CHAPEL IN THEIR LIFE, THIS IS REAL BIGOTRY. WE THINK RELIGION IS SHIT AS FAR AS IN IT HAS THE POWER AND MONEY TO MANIPULATE PEOPLES LIVES AND SO SOME THINK EVEN THEIR DEATHS, BUT AS FAR AS IN PEOPLE BELEIVING IN A GOD ETC OR GODS, THE BELEIF ASPECT IS OKAY, AS WE'VE ALL GOT TO BELEIVE IN SOMETHING OR THERE'S NO POINT IN BEING HERE, IS THERE?

WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD FOR CONSCIENCE? ANY DEMOS AVAILABLE? LAST WORDS? BRI...YOUR LUCK'S IN COS THESE QUESTIONS CAME IN THE DAY AFTER WE HAD BEEN IN THE STUDIO SO YOURE THE FIRST ZINE TO ADVERTISE OUR 9 TRACK TAPE WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ME FOR 50p & A BLANK TAPE(C60, GOOD QUALITY PLEASE). THE TAPE COMES WITH COVER, LYRICS AND LEAFLETS. AS FOR THE FUTURE, WELL I DONT REALLY KNOW BUT HOPEFULLY A LOT MORE GIGS AND MAYBE ANOTHER TAPE. LAST WORDS, WELL THANK FOR THE INTERVIEW, ITS ALWAYS GOOD TO GET A CHANCE TO AIR YOUR VIEWS IN LITERATURE FORM AND EXPLAIN OUR IDEAS BEHIND THE BAND AND OUR SONGS WHICH I FEEL ARE LOST AT GIGS. THESE ARE DEFINATELY THE LAST WORDS- UNITE AND RESIST THE STATES OPPRESSION, FORGET OUR DIFFERENCES AND STAND TOGETHER FOR DIVIDED WE ARE NOTHING AND NOTHING WILL BE ACHEIVED BY MINDLESS BICKERING. UNITE/RESIST/ABUSE/DEFY/REFUSE/REGAIN.

CONSCIENCE, 'Our cemeteries will be their cathedrals; Their cities will be our tombs...' 9 track tape with lyrics, cover and leaflets.

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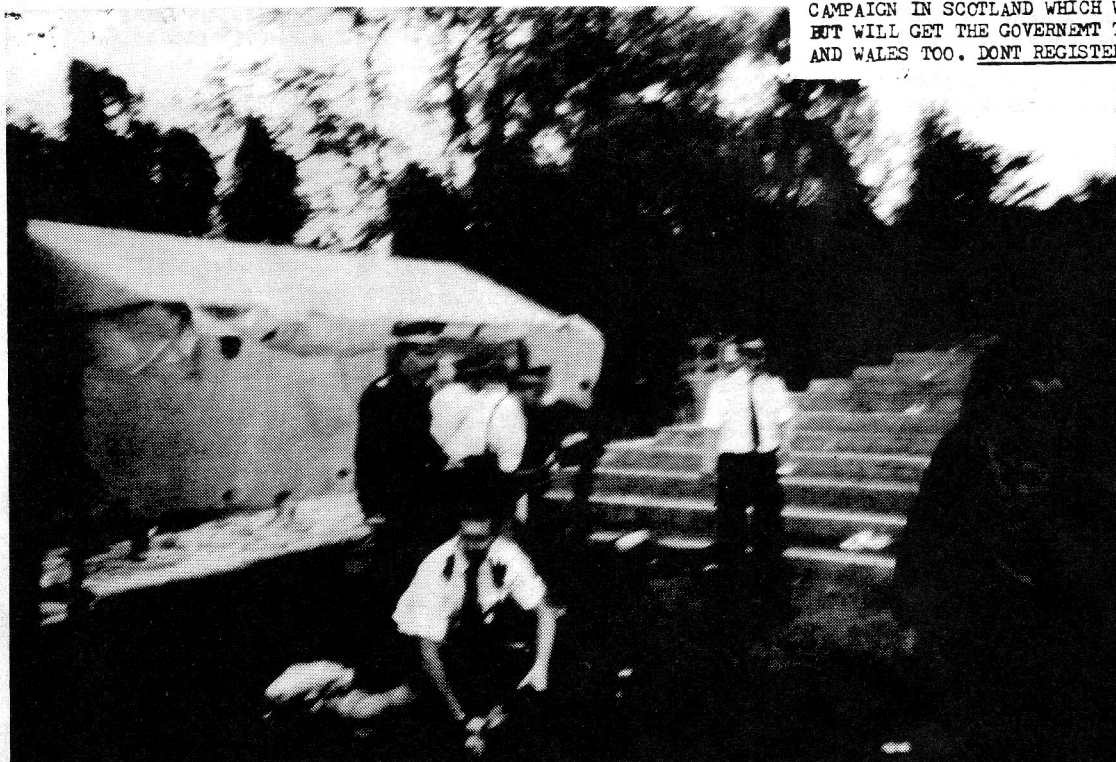
THE POLL TAX

THE ABOLITION OF DOMESTIC RATES ACT(SCOTLAND) i.e. THE POLL TAX, HAS NOW BECOME LAW. IT WAS RUSHED THROUGH PARLIAMENT BEFORE THE JUNE ELECTION. IT WILL BE INTRODUCED ON THE 1st APRIL 1989; WALES WILL NOT BE AFFECTED UNTIL 1990 AND ENGLAND WILL HAVE IT PHASED IN FROM 1990 TO 1994. THE POLL TAX AIMS TO REPLACE THE RATES AND WILL BE PAYABLE AT THE SAME RATE BY ALL ADULT RESIDENTS OF A LOCAL AUTHORITY. THE LEVEL OF CHARGE WILL BE DECIDED EACH LOCAL AUTHORITY AND WILL AFFECT ALL RESIDENTS -INCLUDING STUDENTS- AND NOT JUST HOUSEHOLDERS, AS IN THE PAST. FURTHER TO THE ORIGINAL EXEMPTION GROUPS (PRISONERS AND LONG TERM HOSPITAL PATIENTS) THE GOVERNMENT HAS ADDED TWO FURTHER GROUPS, THE SEVERLEY HANDICAPPED AND PEOPLE LIVING IN RESIDENTIAL HOMES. THIS MEANS THAT PEOPLE ON Y.T.S, J.T.S, STUDENT NURSES AND APPRENTICES WILL BE PAYING THE FULL AMOUNT. PEOPLE ON UNEMPLOYMENT OR SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFIT WILL HAVE AN 80 PER CENT REBATE WHICH WILL COME WITH THEIR HOUSING BENEFIT AND THE REMAINING 20 PERCENT WILL BE MADE UP BY A 20 PC TOP UP OF THE NATIONAL AVERAGE POLL TAX THRU' INCOME SUPPORT i.e. PART OF YOUR GIRO. THE PROBLEM IS THAT THERE ARE NO PLANS AT THE MOMENT TO INTRODUCE A NATIONAL AVERAGE ONLY FOR SCOTLAND, SO PRESUMEBLY CLAIMANTS IN SCOTLAND WILL HAVE TO FIND THAT 20 PC OUT OF THEIR ALREADY FEEBLE LEVEL OF BENEFIT, UNTIL THE REST OF BRITAIN COMES INTO LINE. THERE WILL BE PENALTIES FOR NOT REGISTRARING, NOT PAYING AND NOT GIVING NOTICE OF A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, THE PENALTIES RANGE FROM £50 FOR A FIRST OFFENCE TO £200 IF REPEATED. BUSINESS RATES WILL BE RETAINED BUT THE LEVEL AND COLLECTION OF IT WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

THE POLL TAX IS DESIGNED TO PUNISH THE POOR FOR VOTING FOR "HIGH SPENDING" COUNCILS. IT IS DESIGNED TO CHECK LOCAL AUTHORITY SPENDING THROUGH THE BALLOT BOX. WHAT IT DOES IS FURTHER ERODE THE SCOTTISH ECONOMY AND WORSEN THE CONDITIONS OF THE SCOTTISH WORKING CLASS. THE TAX OBVIOUSLY ONLY BENEFITS THE RICH OR THE VERY RICH- THIS IS BACKED BY A SURVEY CONDUCTED BY EDINBURGH DISTRICT COUNCIL RESEARCH UNIT, WHICH ESTABLISHED THAT OUT OF EDINBURGH'S 62 DISTRICTS, ONLY 7 WILL GAIN OUT OF THE NEW SYSTEM AND EVEN THEN IN ONLY THREE WARDS- MURRAYFIELD, COLINTON AND CRAMOND- THE AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD WILL PROFIT OVER £100 A YEAR. NO PRIZES FOR GUESSING THAT THESE ARE THE "BETTER" AREAS OF EDINBURGH. THE SAME HAPPENS IN GLASGOW AND THROUGHOUT SCOTLAND IN FACT.

THE SEVERE COLLECTION DIFFICULTIES MEANS THAT THE INCOME NOT COLLECTED FOR THAT YEARS BUDGET WILL HAVE TO BE MADE UP BY A HIGHER POLL TAX THE NEXT YEAR TO COVER THE DEFECIT.

THIS ACT HAS TO BE DEFEATED, IT IS ONE OF THE MOST VICIOUS AND UNFAIR TAX LEGISLATIONS INSTITUTED BY THIS GOVERNMENT. THE REGRESSIVE NATURE OF IT HAS EVEN ALARMED TORY M.P.s THE LABOUR PARTY ALTHOUGH OPPOSED TO IT PROPOSE TO FIGHT AGAINST THE INTRODUCTION OF THE ACT IN ENGLAND AND WALES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THAT WILL HELP US IN SCOTLAND A LOT. WHAT IS NEEDED IS A MASS BOYCOTT CAMPAIGN IN SCOTLAND WHICH WILL NOT ONLY KILL IT THERE BUT WILL GET THE GOVERNMENT TO WITHDRAW IT IN ENGLAND AND WALES TOO. DONT REGISTER, DONT PAY THE POLL TAX.



PIG WANKERS, SHITTING THEIR PANTS, THROTTLE AN INNOCENT BY-STANDER AT KELVINGROVE PARK.

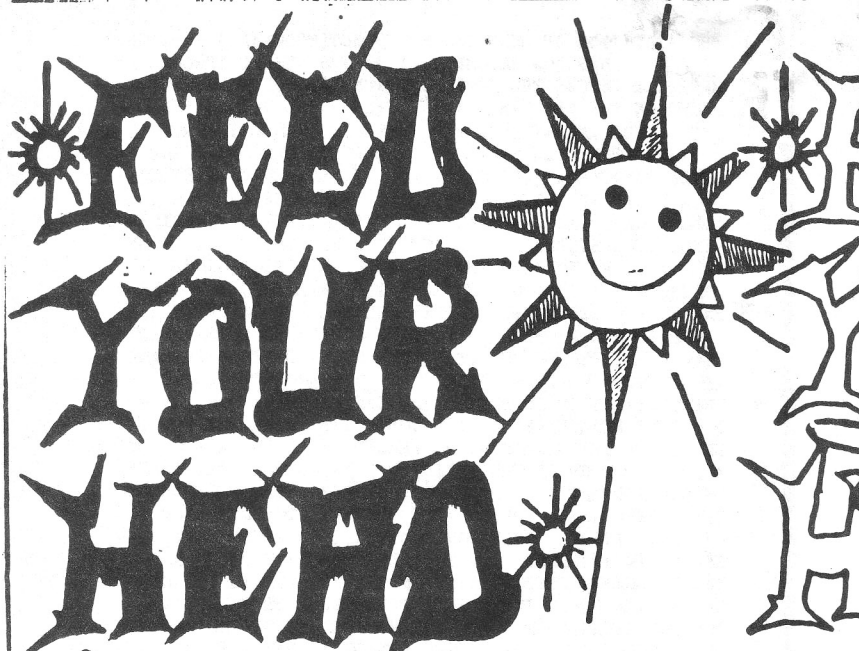
PORK KEBABS

Horror of spike PC

A YOUNG policeman suffered a horrifying ordeal when he was impaled on an iron railing.

PC Richard Kruszewski, 24, slipped while scaling the railing as he chased a burglar across a park in South Ockenden, Essex.

The spike went through his thigh and he hung, screaming for help, until a colleague lifted him clear.



FEED YOUR HEAD FROM MANCHESTER ARE ONE OF THE BETTER BANDS AROUND TODAY WITH A CHARACTERISTIC STYLE ALL OF THEIR OWN. CHECK OUT THEIR SPLIT EP WITH HEX. MANY THANKS TO FRANK AND ROB FOR THE ANSWERS... A BRIEF HISTORY FIRST. IS THE NEW DRUMMER FITTING IN WELL?

FRANK...WELL ROB CAN FILL YOU IN ON THE BRIEF HISTORY, AS FOR CHAD HE'S FITTING IN AS WELL AS A CHAP HE'S SIZE CAN! NO REALLY HE'S A GREAT DRUMMER AND THE BAND IS SOUNDING REALLY GOOD AGAIN(HONEST!)

ROB...OH CHEERS FRANK! WELL WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER 2 YEARS NOW, CHANGED SINGER AND DRUMMER SINCE WE STARTED AND HAVE COVERED MOST AREAS OF THE UK NOW-NICE & BRIEF EH?!

F.Y.H. SEEM TO HAVE A 'HAPPY, HAVE FUN' SORT OF IMAGE, ALTHOUGH ITS NECESSARY TO HAVE A LAUGH SOMETIMES, DO YOU THINK THAT SOME FOLK TAKE 'HAVING A LAUGH' AS MEANING 'RACIST JOKES & ABUSING WOMEN? DO YOU HAVE A SOLUTION TO THIS?

ROB...YEAH, WE DO HAVE A 'HAPPY' IMAGE AS I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE A LAUGH & ENJOY YOURSELF- ON THE OTHER HAND OF COURSE THERE ARE SERIOUS ISSUES WHICH NEED EVERYONES ATTENTION. MOST OF OUR LYRICS ARE SERIOUS ENOUGH-THINGS JUST LOOKED AT FROM A PERSONAL ANGLE RATHER THAN JUST REPEATING WHAT EVERYONE ELSE IS SAYING ALREADY. SOME FOLK DO TAKE A LAUGH AS BEING RACIST ETC.-UNFORTUNATELY. NO I DONT HAVE A SOLUTION! IF YOU KNOW THEM YOU CAN TELL THEM WHAT YOU THINK- BUT ITS A LOT HARDER WHEN YOU DONT KNOW THEM AS MOST OF THE TIME THEY'RE TO PISSED TO KNOW WHATS GOING ON ANYWAY.

DO ANY OF THE BAND HAVE JOBS? WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE 'ACTION FOR SLAVERY' J.T.S.?

FRANK...YEAH I'VE GOT A JOB BUT I THINK THE ACTION FOR JOBS OR WHATEVER THEY'RE CALLING IT THIS WEEK STINKS. THE GUY THAT RUNS OUR PRACTICE ROOMS HAS JUST TRIED DOING IT FOR A LIVING ON THIS MAN POWER SCHEME WHERE THEY GIVE YOU £40 A WEEK. AFTER HE BORROWED £1000! HE WORKED REALLY HARD TO MAKE IT GO BUT THEY DONT TELL YOU ABOUT RATES, BILLS, ETC. 5 MONTHS LATER IT WAS EITHER HIS FLAT OR THE ROOMS HE WAS COUNTED AS SELF-EMPLOYED BUT I DONT RECKON HE HAS MORE THAN £5 A WEEK TO SPEND OUT OF HIS £40, IT STINKS! SO NOW HES HAD TO GO BACK ON THE DOLE.

ROB...3 OF US ARE WORKING JUST NOW-EXCEPT ME! WELL FRANK'S SAID IT ALL REALLY- ITS ALL A JOKE REALLY TO TRY AND GET THE UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES DOWN- ITS A PITY THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO REALLY BENEFIT FROM THESE SCHEMES ARE THE GOVERNMENT ITSELF.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE SITUATION IN N. IRELAND?

DO YOU THINK A PEACEFUL SOLUTION WILL EVER BE FOUND? ROB...NORTHERN IRELAND'S IN A BAD WAY REALLY, AT THE MOMENT I THINK THAT NO MATTER WHAT SOLUTION IS TRIED TROUBLE WILL COME FROM ONE OF THE GROUPS. I CANT SEE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION BEING FOUND IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS-MAYBE LATER ON IF THE SITUATION CHANGES. BUT IT SEEMS TO BE IN A MESS AT THE MOMENT.

TELL US A BIT ABOUT THE MANCHESTER SCENE, MUSIC & ACTION WISE. I CANT THINK OF ANY OTHER BANDS FROM MANCHESTER, IS THERE ANY GOOD ONES ABOUT? FRANK...I LIKE THE SMITHS THEY'RE FROM MANCHESTER, BUT PUNK WISE I CANT THINK OF ANYBODY OFF HAND THOUGH ROB PROBABLY CAN AS HE IS THE ONLY ONE OF US THAT LIVES IN MANCHESTER.

ROB...I DIDN'T KNOW MANCHESTER HAD A SCENE! ITS SHIT REALLY AROUND HERE, THERE'S SOMETHING EVERY NOW AND THEN BUT NOT A LOT GOES ON REALLY- THERE ARE YOUR USUAL MARCHES & HUNT SABS. DURING THE YEAR THOUGH MUSIC WISE ITS DEAD AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED! THERE ARE A FEW NEW BANDS WHO'VE JUST STARTED- JOINT PLAN ARE STARTING TO PLAY PLACES NOW BUT I CANT THINK OF ANYONE ELSE AT THE MOMENT WHO ARE ACTUALLY DOING GIGS. I LIKE ALTERNATIVE STUFF AS WELL AND THERE'S A BAND CALLED SHINE WHO ARE WORTH A LISTEN IF YOU LIKE STUFF LIKE THAT.

WHAT BANDS/ARTISTS DO YOU LISTEN TO AND LIKE TO SEE LIVE?

FRANK...TOP OF THE LIST THE STRANGLERS STILL THE BEST LIVE BAND AROUND. OTHER FAVOURITES...THE DAMNED, DR FEELGOOD, NEW MODEL ARMY, TO MANY TO MENTION.

ROB...WELL SOMETHING WITH A GOOD TUNE TO IT. I LIKE A WIDE RANGE OF STUFF FROM TOXIC REASONS, AGENT CRAN-GE, DOA, SOCIAL UNREST TO UK STUFF LIKE DEGRAVED, BLYTH POWER, HDQ TO THINGS LIKE CHORIS, HAWK WIND, 9 BELOW ZERO, THIN LIZZY, WISHBONE ASH-NOT BAD EH? NOTHING BEATS TOXIC REASONS LIVE THOU'!

HAVE YOU SEEN CHUMBAWAMBA LIVE? WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THEIR METHODS OF COMMUNICATING THEIR MESSAGE?

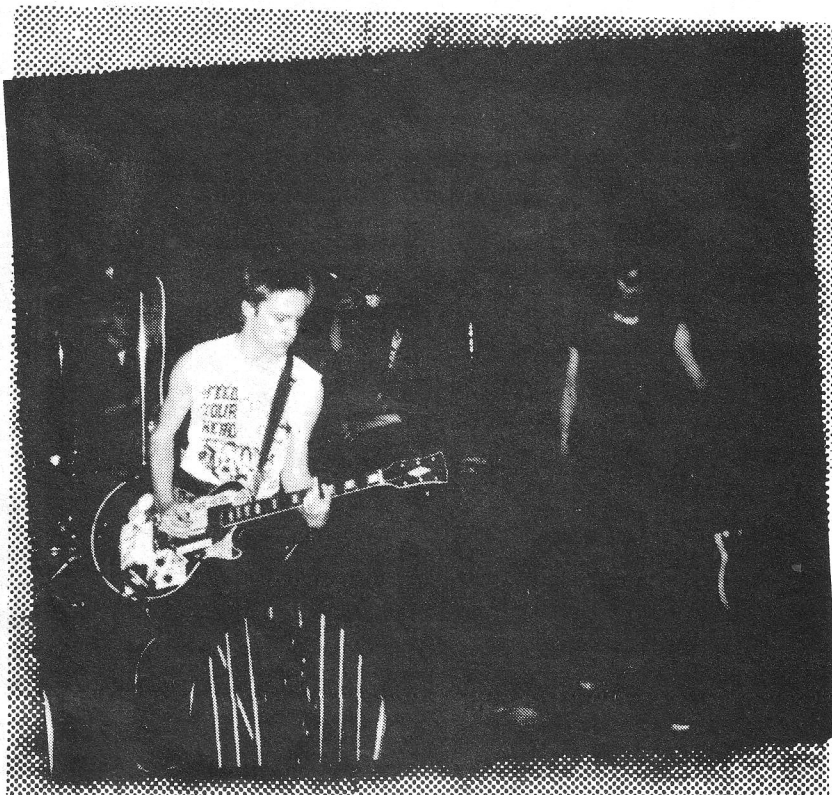
FRANK...WE SUPPORTED THEM IN MANCHESTER ALTHOUGH I ENJOYED THEIR SHOW I WASN'T PARTICULARLY LOOKING FOR A MESSAGE THOUGH THEY STILL CAME ACROSS AS VERY POLITICAL.

ROB...YEAH, WE'VE SUPPORTED CHUMBAS AND SEEN THEM A FEW TIMES. GREAT LIVE BAND AND A GREAT WAY OF COMMUNICATING AS WELL WHICH I THINK GETS ACROSS WE'VE GOT THING ABOUT CHUMBAS IS THEY ATTRACT LOTS OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF PEOPLE, SO THEY GET THEIR MESSAGE ACROSS TO A WIDER AUDIENCE.

LAST WORDS?

FRANK...YEAH SORRY FOR THE DELAY THANK FOR WRITING, SEE YOU AT THE PUNK PICNIC IN DUNDEE IN AUGUST 87.

ROB...I HOPE THESE AREN'T MY LAST WORDS AS I DONT REALLY WANT TO DIE TODAY! CHEERS FOR THE INTERVIEW & TAKING A INTEREST- IF ANYONE WANTS OUR FIRST OR SECOND DEMO OR AN E.P. JUST SEND A QUID TO- ROB, 54 HARVINGTON WALK, HULME, MANCHESTER, M15 6NE & WATCH OUT FOR OUR OWN 4 TRACK E.P. OUT LATER THIS YEAR!



Street crowds flee as battles hit city centre PUNK PICNIC! Casuals 'punk picnic' to Walpurgis

Seven people were arrested at 'punk picnic' in West Princes Street Gardens, Edinburgh, at the weekend. About 400 punks gathered in the near the Ross Open-Air Theatre.

PUNKS and casuals fought a running battle in the heart of Edinburgh yesterday.

Festival strollers, sunbathers and tourists fled as fighting flared in Princes Street Gardens.

Passers-by, too, were caught up in the violence as it spilled over into Princes Street itself.

Trouble erupted when about 150 tracksuited casuals attacked about 50 punks picnicking in the gardens.

One of the punks, Lee Paterson, of Almond Road, Blackburn, West Lothian, said:

"We were all sitting quietly on the grass when the casuals appeared on the walkway above us."

"They started throwing bottles, stones and anything they could lay their hands on."

"One of our lot got a bad gash in his head, so

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we charged after them.

"They fled on to Princes Street, where they continued throwing things."

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"There were also fights, and of course passers-by found themselves in the thick of it."

Another of the punks, Robbie Swann of Mel-

gund Terrace, Bellevue, Edinburgh, said:

"The whole operation was quite deliberately planned."

"They obviously knew we were having our get-together in the gardens."

Word of the clash spread to another group of punks in Mound Square.

Some of them joined the battle, which was broken up by police.

EDINBURGH PRINCES STREET GARDENS, AUGUST 29.

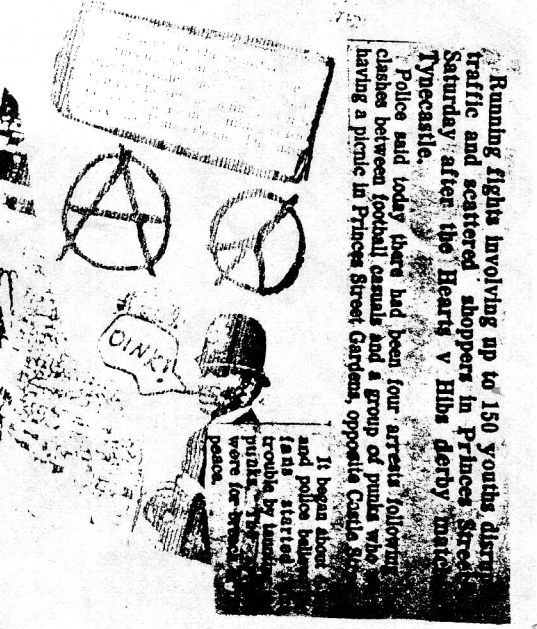
WE WEREN'T REALLY EXPECTING A BIG TURN OUT FOR THIS AND WHEN ON SATURDAY MORNING I WOKE UP TO SEE A STEADY DRIZZLE OUTSIDE IT DIDN'T MAKE THE PROSPECTS SEEM ANY BRIGHTER. BY 1PM THE SUN HAD COME OUT AND THERE WERE ONLY A DOZEN OR SO PUNKS 'GATHERED' IN THE GARDENS. THE PIGS WILL BE WORRIED TODAY, I THOUGHT. HOWEVER BY 3 'O CLOCK ABOUT 300 WERE GATHERED WHICH WAS A BIT OF A SURPRISE. THE SUN CONTINUED TO SHINE DOWN ON US AND IT GOT QUITE HOT. UNFORTUNATELY QUITE A FEW SKINS TURNED UP AND ALTHOUGH THEY DIDN'T START ANY TROUBLE THE ATMOSPHERE WAS A BIT UNEASY. ONCE AGAIN HOWEVER, A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE TREATED THE OCCASION AS JUST ONE MASSIVE BOOZING SESSION. PIONICS WERE ORIGINALLY MEANT TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE WITH THE AIM OF INSPIRING POSITIVE COMMUNICATION. ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A LOT OF GOOD PEOPLE AT THE PIGNIC A LOT OF THEM WERE TOO PISSED TO STAND UP, NEVER MIND HOLD A SENSIBLE CONVERSATION. PIONICS SHOULD BE A SHOWPIECE FOR THE 'PUNK' MOVEMENT WHERE THE PUBLIC CAN SEE SENSIBLE, CARING PEOPLE HAVING A GOOD TIME WITHOUT MAKING A NUISANCE OF THEMSELVES. HOWEVER THEY'VE BECOME JUST THE OPPOSITE. GENERALLY SPEAKING THE PIONICS ARE A GATHERING OF REPULSIVE, ANTISOCIAL, DRUGGED UP DRONGOES. PREACHING ABOUT ANARCHY AND PEACE WHILE FALLING AROUND DRUNK AND SMASHING BOTTLES. THEN THERE'S THE IDIOTS WHO SHOUT AND SWEAR AT THE LOOKERS ON. PUNK PIONICS- REST IN PEACE.

EDINBURGH
INTERNATIONAL PUNK
PICNIC SATURDAY
JUNE 20
PRINCES ST. GARDENS
(WEST)

ABOUT 400 PUNKS GATHERED IN THE GARDENS, NEAR THE ROSS OPEN-AIR THEATRE, FROM ABOUT NOON ON SATURDAY.

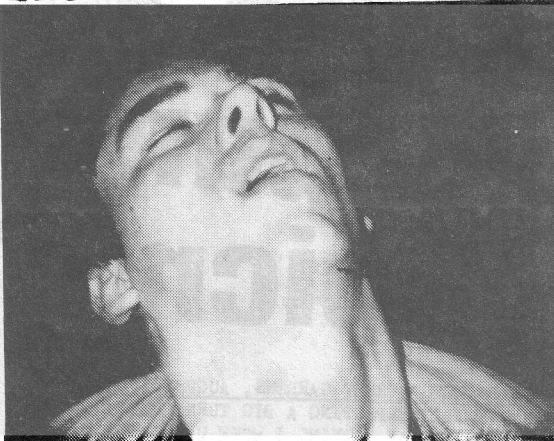
EDINBURGH, PRINCES STREET GARDENS, JUNE 20:
THIS WAS THE 5TH PICNIC TO BE HELD IN EDINBURGH AND THE FIRST ONE OF '87. LAST YEARS EVENT ATTRACTED OVER 500 PEOPLE AND WE WERE HOPING TO DOUBLE THAT THIS TIME. SADLY THOUGH ONLY ABOUT 400 TURNED UP IN THE END. THE WEATHER WASN'T BAD, ITS STILL NOT RAINED AT A PICNIC-AMAZING! THERE WAS QUITE A FEW FOLK GOING ROUND SELLING ZINES, RECORDS AND BADGES AS WELL AS PEOPLE COLLECTING FOR SUCH WORTHY CAUSES AS THE ANIMAL RIGHTS GROUP. IT WAS GOOD TO SEE A LOT OF PEOPLE COMMUNICATING WITH EACH OTHER AND HAVING A GOOD LAUGH, AS WELL AS MEETING OLD FRIENDS AND PENPALS ETC. THE SKINS ENTERTAINED US WITH THEIR 'SUPERMAN' IMPRESSIONS AND CONTINUOUS CHANTS OF "SEA-GULL, SEA-GULL". ALTHOUGH THE TURNOUT WASN'T AS BIG AS WAS HOPED FOR THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY-GLASGOW, ABERDEEN, DUNDEE, NEWCASTLE, CREWS, LONDON, LEEDS, THERE WAS EVEN A COUPLE OF AMERICANS THERE. AS PRINCES ST GARDENS RUNS RIGHT NEXT TO EDINBURGH'S MAIN SHOPPING STREET THERE WERE HUNDREDS OF TOURISTS AND PASSERS BY GATHERED TO WATCH THE FUN AND GAMES. THE PIGS, AFTER BEING HUMILIATED LAST YEAR, KEPT THEIR DISTANCE THIS YEAR. THIS YEAR SAW THE FIRST FIGHTING BETWEEN 'PUNKS' AT A PICNIC. FROM WHAT I SAW SOME GIRL ATTACKED SOME SKINS AND IT STARTED FROM THERE WITH OTHER DRUNKS JOINING IN 'FOR A LAUGH.' IT WASN'T AS SERIOUS AS IT COULD HAVE BEEN BUT IT GAVE THE PRESS AND CAMERA TOTTING TOURISTS SOMETHING TO GET EXCITED ABOUT. ON THE OTHER HAND IT WAS GOOD TO SEE PEOPLE ACTUALLY BOTHERING TO CLEAR UP THE LITTER. IT SEEMS THAT THE PIGS WERE WAITING A COUPLE OF HUNDRED YARDS AWAY AND 'POUNCING' ON LONE PUNKS WANDERING ABOUT. ITS BEEN RUMOURED THAT THE FIGHTING WAS INSTIGATED BY UNDERCOVER PIGS. THIS WOULDN'T BE SURPRISING, FUCKIN COWARDS. SOME PEOPLE WENT HOME AFTER THE PICNIC BUT MOST CHOSE TO PACK OUT SEVERAL EDINBURGH PUBS TO CONTINUE DRINK TILL EARLY THE NEXT DAY. GENERALLY IT WAS QUITE A GOOD DAY.

Sgt Kinghorn said the police had no advance notice of the event
Sergeant Gordon Kinghorn, of Lothian and Borders Police, said today: "There was an impromptu punk picnic, details of which were apparently circulated to the punk fraternity in a magazine."
"In the main they were quite well behaved



EDINBURGH, JUNE 20

Running fights involving up to 150 youths during traffic and scattered shoppers in Princes Street Saturday after the Hearts v Hibs derby match. Tynecastle.
Police said today there had been four arrests following clashes between football casuals and a group of punks who having a picnic in Princes Street Gardens, opposite Castle.



A NEW FEATURE HERE DEDICATED TO CAPTURING THOSE MOMENTS OF EXTREME DRUNKENESS THAT SOME ZINE MAKERS SEEM PRONE TO GETTING... SO WATCH OUT ZINE MAKERS, MY CAMERA IS AFTER YOU! ANY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THIS SECTION WOULD BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED (PREFERABLY B/W PHOTOS-RETURNABLE, OF COURSE). OUR VERY FIRST ONE SHOWS A CERTAIN MR SIKOWAR IN AN EDINBURGH PUB AFTER THE FIRST PUNK PICNIC IN JUNE THIS YEAR.

PLASTIC DEATH

INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO THE BRITISH ARMY ON THE USE OF PLASTIC BULLETS IN IRELAND, STATE: THE ROUNDS MUST NOT BE FIRED AT A RANGE OF LESS THAN TWENTY METERS. THEY SHOULD BE AIMED SO THEY WILL STRIKE THE LOWER REGIONS OF THE TARGETS BODY. THE BULLETS ARE DESIGNED TO DISPERSE CROWDS ONLY.

IT HAS BEEN NOTICED THAT R.U.C. AND THE BRITISH ARMY HAVE BEEN FIRING PLASTIC BULLETS AT PEOPLE WHO ARE AND HAVE NOT BEEN LOCATED IN THE AREAS OF A DISTURBANCE. EXAMPLES OF SUCH ACTIONS ARE: "CAROL ANNE KELLY" WHO HAD BEEN AT A NEIGHBOURS HOUSE GETTING MILK FOR HER MOTHER WHEN BRITISH TROOPS SHOT HER IN THE FACE WITH A PLASTIC BULLET, UNFORTUNATELY CAROL ANN KELLY DIED AT THE AGE OF 12. "MRS NORA MACABE" ANOTHER VICTIM OF A PLASTIC BULLET WAS SHOT IN THE HEAD BY THE R.U.C. ANOTHER EXAMPLE UPON WHICH NO DISTURBANCE HAD OCCURED. ALTHOUGH UP THE ROAD AWAY FROM MRS NORA MACABE CHILDREN HAD BEEN REPORTED FOR BANGING DUSTY LIDS. WHEN THE R.U.C. DID EVENTUALLY COME THEY DROVE PAST THE SPOT WHERE THE INCIDENT OCCURED AND PASSING MRS NORA MACABE WHERE UPON FIRING A PLASTIC BULLET WHICH HIT HER IN THE HEAD. MANY OTHER VICTIMS OF PLASTIC BULLETS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND SERIOUSLY INJURED IN IRELAND.

THE R.U.C. AND BRITISH ARMY HAVE BEEN FOUND TO DOCTOR PLASTIC AND RUBBER BULLETS WITH BATTERIES AND NAILS. ARE THEY NOT HARMFUL ENOUGH WITHOUT THEM BEING DOCTORED? @UK, C/O ANDI/IAIN, 18 OCHILTREE COURT, GLENROTHES, KY6 2PE, SCOTLAND.

NEWCASTLE AND DURHAM—

Hello again friends,

This is the second bust fund 'Update sheet'. In our first one, we mentioned that we would do this type of leaflet every month; well we've decided it would be best to do it every two or three months, as there isn't really enough information to put in every month, and of course, it costs money to get these leaflets printed and is a waste as the result.

So far, a 'National Savings Bank Account' has been opened for the bust fund, giving a rate of ten percent interest per annum.

At the moment of writing, the fund now has £99.10, of which £30 is being donated to an activist who was given a £250 fine for smashing a butcher's shop window. The activist will have about £20 left to pay off after the £30 has been donated, because the individual has paid most of it off without aid.

£5 is being kept aside to pay for postage and printing out more leaflets (such as this), because we have now run out of leaflets advertising the fund.

Donations, benefits etc., are still greatly needed, and will be much appreciated. People who do 'zine-please' mention the bust fund in your next issue if that is possible. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT: Tommy (HOPE 'zine), Iggy (the graphic designer), Trev (HAGL 'zine), Jake (FERMENT 'zine) and all those who have given small donations.

EXTRA SPECIAL THANKS TO: Bob and Steve (NUFF 'ZA' NUFF 'zine).

The contact address is: NEWCASTLE AND DURHAM BUST FUND, c/o COMMON GROUND, 1 CHARLOTTE SQUARE, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE. NE1 4XF.

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PICNIC

NEWCASTLE, JAMES PARK, JULY 25.

ANOTHER DAY OF TYPICAL BRITISH SUMMER WEATHER, THOUGH THE RAIN MANAGED TO HOLD OFF. AROUND 200 ATTENDED THIS EVENT MANY TRAVELLED DOWN FROM GLASGOW AND EDINBURGH AS WELL AS SURGEY, LEEDS AND LANCASHIRE. AT ABOUT 2PM, ONE SCOTTY PIG TURNED UP AND AFTER TAKING IT UPON HIMSELF TO CLOSE DOWN THE ANIMAL RIGHTS STALL HE THEN PROCEEDED TO HARASS VARIOUS LONG PUNKERS BEFORE BEING SURROUNDED BY ABOUT 15 ANGRY LOOKIN 'BUNK'. AFTER TAKING THE PHOTO BELOW, THE BY NOW GISHERING POOL TURNED ON ME AND SWARLED "THE NUMBER'S 4204 SONNY, NO NEED TO TAKE PHOTOS". IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE A COUPLE OF CARS AND VANS ARRIVED AND WERE MET WITH ANGRY CHANTS OF "SCUM" AND VARIOUS OTHER AMUSING PHRASES. THE PICNIC WAS SITUATED RIGHT NEXT TO A BOATING LAKE AND IT WAS INEVITABLE THAN SOMEONE WOULD START SPLASHING ABOUT. THE PICNIC WAS FOLLOWED BY A GIG AT THE BUNKER IN SUNDERLAND WITH OI POLIOI, HDJ HELLBASTARD, HEADPUCK AND A COUPLE OF OTHERS. IT WASN'T GREAT AS THE P.A. WAS SHIT AND ONE GUY GOT SET ABOUT BY FIVE DICKHEADS CAUSE HE WAS A "SCOTTISH BASTARD". HOWEVER ABOUT £70 WAS RAISED FOR THE NEWCASTLE BUST FUND.



ATAVISTIC

MOST OF YOU SHOULD HAVE HEARD OF THIS BAND BY NOW... THEY GAVE US THE 30p DEMO 'FROM WITHIN' AND MORE RECENTLY THE 'LIFE DURING WARTIME' EP. THE QUESTIONS ARE NOT THE BEST I'VE EVER ASKED (THEY'RE QUITE OLD NOW) BUT HOPEFULLY THE ANSWERS WILL MAKE UP FOR THAT. HANK TO JEREMY AND JOHN...

A BRIEF HISTORY PLEASE?

JOHN...THE BAND GOES BACK TO 1981 (THOUGH WE HAVE GONE THROUGH MANY NAME CHANGES SINCE) WITH JEREMY AND MYSELF AS ORIGINAL MEMBERS. WE'VE BEEN ATAVISTIC FOR (I THINK) TWO YEARS NOW.

JEREMY...WELL, THE BAND HAS BEEN GOING FOR ABOUT 5 YEARS IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER BUT WE ONLY REALLY BECAME SERIOUS A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO. WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE USUAL LINE UP CHANGES & NOW THANKFULLY, WE'RE STABILISED AS A 3 PIECE AND WE ALL GET ON WELL, BEING FRIENDS LONG BEFORE WE STARTED THE BAND.

HOW MANY GIGS HAVE YOU PLAYED ANDS WHAT SORT OF REACTION DO YOU GET?

JOHN...WE'VE PLAYED OVER 30 GIGS SINCE '81 AND THE REACTION HAS VARIED DEPENDING ON WHERE WE PLAY, WHO WE'VE PLAYED TO AND HOW WELL WE HAVE PLAYED! THE REACTION WHATEVER WE RECEIVED REFLECTS US IN PERFORMANCE AT THAT TIME RATHER THAN THE INDIVIDUALITY OF EACH MEMBER CHARACTERISTICALLY WHICH MAY THEREFORE REFLECT A GENERALISED VIEW OF WHAT A THRASH BAND MAY BE WHICH WOULD DEPENDING ON THE INDIVIDUAL OBSERVING BE PERHAPS A LITTLE FALSE! (?-ED)

JEREMY...CRUMES, I'VE LOST COUNT OF HOW MANY GIGS WE'VE HAD, ABOUT 30 IN ALL, I THINK BUT THAT DOES SPREAD OVER ABOUT 3 YEARS SO WE DONT PLAY THAT OFTEN. THE CROWD REACTION VARIES DEPENDING ON THEIR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION & THE VENUE, USUALLY WE WALK OFF TO SILENCE BUT OCCASIONALLY WE GET THE ODD CHEER, OR EVEN RARER, A SLAM DANCER OR TWO.

WHAT POLITICAL VIEWS DO YOU HOLD?

JOHN...I'D BETTER ANSWER THIS PERSONALLY BECAUSE ONES VIEWS ARE NORMALLY OF A PERSONAL NATURE (ALBEIT THEY CAN BE SHARED). THIS ISN'T I DONT THINK THE SORT OF ANSWER THAT I CAN GIVE ACCURATELY IN TWENTY LINES SO I'LL HAVE TO GENERALISE CONSIDERABLY. MY OPINIONS ARE BASED ON A ANTI-AUTHORITARIAN FOOTING BELIEVING THAT NO (EVERYTHING BAR SELF AUTHORITY) GOVERNMENTAL ELEMENT HAS ANY 'POSITIVE' PURPOSE ON A LONG TERM BASIS (ACCEPTING THAT THE MAJORITY OF SOCIETY GIVEN IMMEDIATE FREEDOM WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO COPE ADEQUATELY TO FORM A NEW, ORGANISED, CO-EXISTING RACE IN THAT WE ARE NOT AT PRESENT TAUGHT OR PROMOTED INTO BELIEVING SUCH A SOCIETY CAN EXIST, AS SUCH STIMULATION DISPROVE AND UNDERMINE AUTHORITY AS WE SEE IT NOWADAYS-WHAT GOVERNMENT WANTS THAT.???). BASICALLY I BELIEVE THAT ANY TRANSFORMATION OF SOCIETY CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED SUCCESSFULLY ON AN INDIVIDUAL/SEMI-INDIVIDUAL BASIS BECAUSE ANY PATH 'DICTATED' BY ANY BODY OR COMMITTEE OF PEOPLE (NO MATTER HOW GOOD THEIR INTENTIONS) COULD POTENTIALLY BE SEEN AS AUTHORITY UNDER A DIFFERENT GUISE. I BELIEVE THAT TO CREATE A PEACEFUL END IT MUST BE CARRIED OUT PEACEFULLY AND NON-VIOLENTLY IN EVERY DIRECTION POSSIBLE. IF WEEDING OUT THE UNDESIRABLES IN LIFE (POLICE, GOVERNMENT, RELIGIOUS BODIES) COULD ONLY BE ACHIEVED VIOLENTLY THEN IN THE END WOULD ANYTHING AT ALL CHANGE?

JEREMY...IT DEPENDS HOW YOU INTERPRET 'POLITICAL VIEWS' WHETHER YOU CONSIDER WE HAVE ANY OR NOT. AS FAR AS THE GENERALLY ACCEPTED MEANING OF POLITICAL PARTIES OR WHATEVER GOES WE HAVE NONE. I REFUSE TO SUPPORT POINT BLANK ANYONE WHO THINKS THEY CAN RUN MY LIFE BETTER THAN I CAN, NO MATTER WHAT PARTY OR ORGANISATION THEY CLAIM TO BELONG TO. I BELIEVE IN THE POLITICS OF LIFE THOUGH WE ALL HAVE A DUTY & RESPONSIBILITY TO THE HUMAN FAMILY WE ARE PART OF AND TO PRESERVE AND RESPECT ALL FORMS OF LIFE. ITS TOO EASY TO CONSIDER OURSELVES AS WE WALLOW IN OUR OWN SELFISHNESS, WITHOUT REALLY THINKING ABOUT WHAT WE DO OR WHETHER WE WILL EVER ACHIEVE ANYTHING IN OUR LIFETIME. I THINK WE OUGHT TO UTILIZE OUR WILLPOWER FOR THE BENEFIT OF OTHERS LESS FORTUNATE THAN OURSELVES & REACH TOWARD FELLOW HUMANS FACED WITH THE SAME ADVERSITY-THE DECISION HOW TO CLAIM ACK OUR DESTINY.

RING

YOUR VIEWS ON ANIMAL RIGHTS? ARE YOU VEGETARIANS?

JOHN...I THINK I CAN SPEAK FOR ALL OF US ON THIS ONE, WELL WE ALL (TRYING NOT TO SOUND TO CLICHED) RESPECT THE SANCTITY OF ALL LIFE AND WE ALL TRY TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OPINION. I DONT THINK IT MATTERS MUCH IF I SAY WHO IN THE BAND ARE VEGAN/VEGETARIAN IF AT ALL???

JEREMY...I BELIEVE ABSOLUTELY IN THE SANCTITY OF ALL LIFE AND TO THAT EXTENT I TRY AND PARTICIPATE IN THEIR SUFFERING AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE & I HOPE THAT OTHERS CAN DO THE SAME, ALTHOUGH I WONT CONDEMN THEM IF THEY DONT BECAUSE I REFUSE TO ADOPT A 'HOLIER THAN THOU' ATTITUDE. I DONT REALLY THINK I CAN ADD ANYTHING TO THE ISSUE OF ANIMAL RIGHTS, ITS ALL BEEN SAID SO MANY TIMES BEFORE, PERHAPS TOO MANY TIMES. I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE PROMOTED IN A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FASHION BECAUSE MANY OF THE PEOPLE INFLECTING THEIR OPINION ON YOU ARE OPPRESSIVE & ARE LIKELY TO TURN A CONVERSATION INTO A BATTLE OF EGOS & COMPLETELY DESTROY ANY SMALL GAINS THEY COULD HAVE MADE IF ONLY THEY WERE TO BE MORE REASONABLE IN THEIR MANNER. THIS IS MORE AN OBSERVATION THAN A CRITICISM, ITS UP TO YOU, THE INDIVIDUAL HOW YOU WISH TO APPROACH THE SUBJECT BUT DONT BE SURPRISED IF YOU DONT MAKE MANY 'CONVERTS' (MAYBE THE USE OF THAT WORD HIGHLIGHTS A MISTAKE WE ALL TOO EASILY MAKE). NONE OF THE BAND EAT MEAT.

WHAT BANDS DO YOU LIKE? DO THEY INFLUENCE YOU?

JOHN...SLAYER, BEYOND POSSESSION, SACRILEGE BC(USA), ANTISECT...MAINLY THE FASTER HEAVIER BANDS. I SUPPOSE ANTISECT OUT OF ALL THE BANDS THAT I HAVE LIKE MUSICALLY HAVE STIMULATED ME THE MOST

JEREMY...MY WORD, I LIKE MANY BANDS BUT I MUST ADMIT THAT I'M RATHER A MUSICAL BIGOT BECAUSE I ONLY REALLY LIKE HARDCORE & WITHIN THAT GENRE, ONLY THRASH I'M AFRID. I'M QUITE PREPARED TO LISTEN TO ANYTHING (EXCEPT REGGAE, DISCO, HEAVY METAL...HA HA!) BUT WHETHER OR NOT I WILL LIKE IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN. I CANT HELP MY MUSICAL TASTE, I GUESS THAT I'M JUST LUCKY THAT NOTHING ELSE APPEALS TO ME BECAUSE I DO FEEL THAT HARDCORE, EVEN WITH ITS FASCISTIC TENDENCIES & NARROW MINDEDNESS, IS ONE OF THE MOST POSITIVE & SINCERE MUSICAL FORMS AROUND. AS FOR ACTUAL BANDS, WELL THEY VARY OBVIOUSLY, BUT AT THE MOMENT: BEYOND POSSESSION, LARM, SLAYER, VERBAL ABUSE, DOWN SYNDROME... I'M NOT NECESSARILY INFLUENCED BY THESE BANDS, I'M AFRAID THAT LYRICALLY, HARDCORE DOESN'T DO MUCH FOR ME NOWADAYS BUT I'M SURPRISED TO FIND THAT I'M INSPIRED ONCE IN A WHILE.

ATAVISTIC

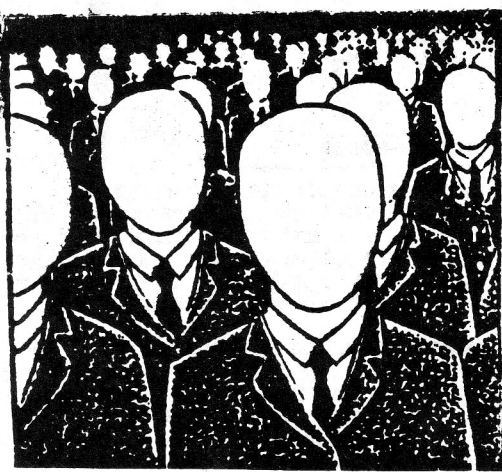
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HOWS THE DEMO BEEN SELLING? ARE YOU PLEASED WITH IT?

JOHN...THE DEMO HAS BEEN SELLING VERY WELL PROBABLY OVER 200 COPIES NOW BUT BECAUSE JEREMY OUR GUITARIST GETS ALL THE ORDERS AND IS VERY ACTIVE IN OTHER DIRECTIONS IT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO FILL ORDERS AS THEY ARE RECEIVED, SO PLEASE BE PATIENT IF YOU HAVE SENT OFF...WE WILL REPLY! WE ARE UNDOUBTERLY PLEASED WITH HOW ITS TURNED OUT AND THE COME-BACKS WE'VE HAD FROM ITS LITERATURE, ANY REACTION CAN(?-ED) STEMS TO COMMUNICATION SO IT IS IN THAT LIGHT SUCCESSFUL.....KEEP ON WRITING Y'ALL!!

JEREMY...THE DEMO IS SELLING WELL TOO WELL ALMOST, I'M AFRAID THAT THE INFUX OF MAIL HAS EXCEEDED ORDERS FILLED BECAUSE, SIMPLY, I'VE RECEIVED MORE ORDERS THAN I CAN COMFORTABLY HANDLE. IF ANYONE HAS WRITTEN & IS STILL WAITING PLEASE BE PATIENT BECAUSE I AM OVERWORKED, I WILL REPLY TO ALL LETTERS EVENTUALLY BUT, AT THE MOMENT, I GUESS IT TAKES AT LEAST 2 MONTHS TO GET BACK TO ANYONE. I'M SORRY BUT I HAVE OVER 100 LETTERS AT THE MOMENT SO, AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, I'LL BE BUSY FOR QUITE A WHILE YET! I'M REASONABLY PLEASED WITH THE DEMO BUT, HOPEFULLY, WE CAN IMPROVE ON IT IN THE FUTURE.

FROM WITHIN



ATAVISTIC

CONTINUED...

WHAT PLANS DO THE BAND HAVE?

JOHN...THE ONLY PLANS THAT ARE DEFINATE ARE A COUPLE OF RELEASES COMING SOON, ONE ON PEACEVILLE(THANKS TO HAMMY) AND ONE ON THE SATANIC MALFUNCTIONS LABEL(CHEERS STU) WHICH WILL BE OUT HOPEFULLY IN THE SUMMER IF ALL GOES TO PLAN. WE HAVE A VENUE WE CAN USE, IN DOVER, SO WE'LL BE CONCENTRATING ON T.R.U.S.T. OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. JEREMY...WELL WE DONT REALLY HAVE PLANS AS SUCH, WHAT WE DO DEPENDS ON OUR INFLUENCES & ENTHUSIASMS AT THE TIME, I HOPE TO STILL TRY & COMMUNICATE AND GIVE THE ONLY THING THAT I CAN MYSELF-MYSELF-AND HOPE THAT THIS IS ENOUGH. I DONT REALLY CONSIDER MUSIC AS BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF OUR MOVEMENT, ITS ONLY A MEDIUM BY WHICH WE FIND OURSELVES AND OTHERS & I THINK THERE'S FAR TOO MUCH EMPHASIS ON IT. THUS IN OUR BAND IT TAKES A BACK SEAT SOMEWHAT ALTHOUGH WE PLAY WHAT WE FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH REGARDLESS OF WHO LIKES IT AND WHO DOESN'T-I CONSIDER THAT AN ALLOWABLE SELF-INDULGENCE BECAUSE THERE'S NO POINT IN PLAYING SOMETHING I DONT LIKE. I BELIEVE WE ARE DOING A RECORD SOON BUT DONT HOLD YOUR BREATH BECAUSE IT'LL PROBABLY TAKE AGES TO DO.

ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO SAY TO FINISH OFF WITH?

JOHN...THANKS VERY MUCH FOR SHOWING INTEREST IN THE BAND. PLEASE IF ANYONE WANTS TO WRITE, DON'T HESITATE! I'LL REPLY:- JOHN, 48 GRAYSTONE RD, WHITSTABLE, KENT, CT5 2JX.

JEREMY...THANK YOU, JOHN, FOR THE INTERVIEW, GOOD LUCK WITH THE ZINE & YOUR LIFE. IF ANYONE WANTS TO WRITE THEY ARE QUITE WELCOME TO DO SO & I PROMISE TO REPLY EVENTUALLY. PLEASE IF YOU ORDER THE TAPE, WRITE MORE THAN JUST A COUPLE OF LINES, I AM A HUMAN BEING AND NOT A MAIL ORDER COMPUTER AND WE DEFEAT THE WHOLE OBJECT OF COMMUNICATION BY JUST SENDING TWO-LINE MISSIVES THAT ARE TOTALLY IMPERSONAL & DEVOID OF ANY SINCERITY. THANKS & LIVE AND LOVE LIFE. COULD DAVID MARTIN FROM THE EDINBURGH AREA WRITE AGAIN BECAUSE THE GPO(WANKERS-ED) DAMAGED HIS LETTER & I HAVE NO ADDRESS TO SEND THE DEMO TO. THANK YOU. JEREMY, 45 BADDLESMEERE RD, TANKERTON, WHITSTABLE, KENT, CT5 2LB.

...ing non sequitur. According to Miliband the working class is 70 per cent of the population, yet he affords it no role in its own emancipation. On the contrary, it is the feminist, black, and ecological movements who must construct the basis for radical political renewal.

Unemployment is killing at least 3,000 people a year, according to an analysis published yesterday.

CLASS WAR

TO BE WON

These groups have a vital place in any liberatory social movement. They are not, however, noted as bastions of the working class. Miliband surely agrees that these groups are vital because he would be late signing on, my son would not get his Giro on time. In fact, he would have to wait three days. What a shocking way to treat boy who was at least trying to get a job.

FASHION

CLASS WAR, AIMS AND PRINCIPLES?

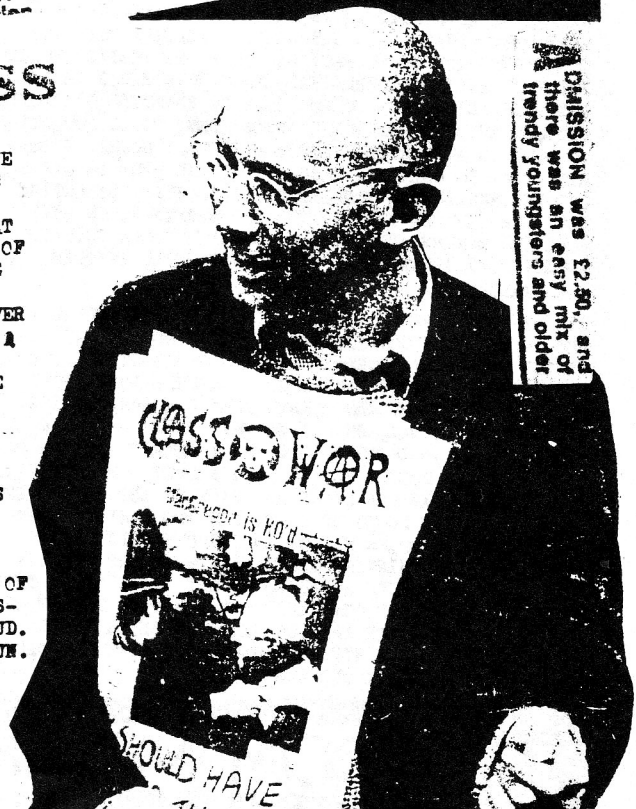
WHAT AIMS? WHAT PRINCIPLES? ARE THESE PEOPLE REALLY SERIOUS? FIRST OF ALL I'LL SAY THAT I'M NOT SLAGGING CLASS WAR OFF, ONLY QUESTIONING THEIR IDEAS ABOUT CERTAIN TOPICS. TO START OFF WITH THEY CLAIM TO OPPOSE RACISM, SEXISM AND, OF COURSE THE NEED FOR LEADERS OR 'RULERS'. WHY THEN DO THEY SLAG OFF PEOPLE WHO DARE TO HAVE, FOR EXAMPLE, A GREEN MOHICAN? DOES A PERSONS HAIRSTYLE DETERMINE THE WAY HE/SHE THINKS AND ACTS ANYMORE THAN A PERSONS SEX, SEXUALITY AND SKIN COLOUR? DISCRIMINATING AGAINST SOMEONE BECAUSE OF THEIR HAIRSTYLE, DRESS AND TASTE IN MUSIC IS FUCKING STUPID AND MAY I SAY, REMINISCENT OF FASCISM. YES, I KNOW THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE THEIR APPEARANCE THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR OF THEIR EXISTANCE BUT MAKING A BLANKET STATEMENT IS NARROW MINDED AND SENSELESS. WHO THE HELL ARE THEY TO DECIDE WHAT A PERSON MUST OR MUST NOT LOOK LIKE? IT HAS ALSO BEEN SAID THAT IF YOU LOOK REMOTELY 'PUNKY' AND BELIEVE IN ANIMAL RIGHTS YOU WON'T BE ALLOWED INTO THE CLASS WAR FEDERATION CONFERENCE. I HOPE THIS ISN'T TRUE. ANOTHER THING IS ANIMAL RIGHTS. DOES SOMEONES DIET (VEGETARIAN) DETERMINE WHAT 'CLASS' THEY ARE? I AGREE THAT THERE ARE VEGETARIANS WHO ARE NOTHING MORE THAN TOFFEE-NOSED TRENDY WANKERS AND THAT MANY PEOPLE, HEALTH SHOPS FOR EXAMPLE, ARE ONLY OUT TO MAKE A FUCKIN BIG PROFIT WITH THEIR RIDICULOUSLY OVERPRICED PRODUCE. BUT EVEN FROM THE 'TREND' POINT OF VIEW I WOULD RATHER THEY STOPPED EATING MEAT THAN SAY, BOUGHT A FUR COAT. THEY ALSO SEEM A BIT CONFUSED ON WHAT 'WORKING CLASS' IS. AS THEY HAVE SAID THAT THEY HAVE GOT NOTHING AGAINST PEOPLE WHO EARN £40000 A YEAR AND GO HOLIDAYS ABROAD TWICE A YEAR. TO QUOTE C.W.- "IF SOMEONE CAN MANAGE TO GET £40000 OUT OF THEIR BOSS, THEN GOOD LUCK TO THEM". ITS ABOUT TIME THEY MADE UP THEIR MINDS AND PUT AN END TO THEIASNOBEY, ELITIST, HIERARCHAL ATTITUDE. "WHAT A BETTER WAY TO TURN PEOPLE OFF THAN TO TWIST IDEAS OF CHANGE INTO ONE MORE CHURCH THAT FORGETS WE'RE ALL HUMAN BEINGS"

An up-market, well-established nightspot for both young and old. The more mature smart set. But on the dance-floor, women outnumbered men about ten to one. "Go with a partner if you don't like dancing alone."

the real working class

"HEY YOU". I TURN ROUND. "HEY YOU, POOFTER". LURCHING TOWARDS ME IS A 15 STONE LUMP OF UNSIGHTLY FAT. HE STAGGERS CLOSER, I GET A NOSEFUL OF HIS ALCOHOLIC BREATH, CLOSER STILL. I SIDESTEP. HE COLLAPSES IN THE GUTTER. I LEAVE THE DRUGGED UP FAT CARCASS ROLLING ABOUT IN HIS OWN VOMIT BURGLING OBSCENITIES AT ME. ITS CLOSING TIME AND THE GOOD OLD BRITISH WORKING CLASS ARE POURING OUT OF PUBS EVERYWHERE. ITS THE SAME EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT MAKING MY WAY HOME, DODGING THE DRINKS AND AVOIDING THE CASUALS. "WHEY-HEY, LOOK AT THE PAIR ON THAT". ACROSS THE ROAD A GROUP OF YOUNG UP AND COMING WIFE-BEATERS ARE SLAVERING OVER A "TASTY" BRUNETTE WHOS JUST STEPPED OUT A TAXI. I FIND A CHIPPY AND ORDER A LARGE BAG OF LUKE WARM SLIVERS OF CAT SHIT. THE CHIPPY IS QUITE PACKED AND THERE'S A LARGE QUEUE. I OVERHEAR TWO WORKING CLASS EXAMPLES OF INTELLIGENCE SWAPPING JOKES. "HEAR THE ONE ABOUT TWO NIGGERS IN A SLEEPING BAG..." I GET MY CHIPS AND MAKE A QUICK EXIT. I NOTICE A SMALL SCUFFLE A FEW YARDS UP THE ROAD. TWO LARGE SHAVEN GORILLAS KICKING THE SHIT OUT OF A SMALLER MAN WHOS LYING ON THE GROUND SCREAMING FOR MERCY. I STEP INTO A DOORWAY AND TAKE A CLOSER LOOK. ONE OF THE GORILLAS HAS A UNION JACK DRAPED AROUND HIS SHOULDERS AND LARGE 'DM'S' ON HIS FEET. "SERVES THE FENIAN BASTARD RIGHT" ONE MUTTERS BEFORE THEY BOTH DISAPPEAR UP THE ROAD. AN AMBULANCE ARRIVES ALONG WITH A FEW MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL CONSTABULARY, I NOTICE A 'CELTIC' SCARF AROUND THE MANS NECK BEFORE HE IS TAKEN AWAY. I TOO DISAPPEAR. A MAN A FEW YARDS AHEAD OF ME ACCIDENTALLY DROPS SOMETHING OUT OF HIS BACK POCKET. IT LOOKS LIKE A NEWS-PAPER. NOT QUITE, ITS A COPY OF 'PLAYBOY'. "SEXIST BASTARD" I MUTTER OUT LOUD. THE MAN TURNS ROUND TO SEE HIS PORN MAG RIPPED TO SHREDS IN THE GUTTER. I RUN. I ARRIVE AT MY BEDSIT, KNACKERED. I CLEAR MY 'CLASS WARS' OF MY BED BEFORE STRETCHING OUT ON IT. I FEEL MYSELF DRIFTING OFF INTO A DEEP SLEEP, DREAMING OF THE WORKING CLASS REVOLUTION I'D HEARD ABOUT SOMEWHERE...

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ADMISSION was £2.50, and there was an easy mix of trendy youngsters and older ones.

THERE'S NOT MUCH I CAN SAY ABOUT DAN AS MOST OF YOU WILL HAVE HEARD ABOUT THEM BY NOW, THOUGH CHECK OUT THEIR CLASSIC "WHERE HAVE ALL THE CHILDREN GONE?" LP AND BE IN FOR SHOCK! CHEERS TO IAN(BASS) FOR THE ANSWERS...

WHAT WILL DAN BE DOING THIS SUMMER? PLAYING GIGS? STONEHENGE? PUNK PICNICS? ETC...

IAN...OOO LOTS OF THINGS, WE'LL BE PLAYING ALL OVER THE JOINT, WITH HDQ ON A LOT OF THEM, DOWN LONDON AND UP TO GLASGOW, WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO DO AN OPEN AIR GIG THERE IN AUGUST. I'M NOT GOING TO STONEHENGE, BUT I SHOULD BE GOING TO GLASTONBURY I THINK. WE'VE BEEN OFFERED TO PLAY THE LEEDS PUNK PICNIC BUT I DONT THINK WE WILL BE COS JIM WORKS ON WEEKENDS.

HOW DID THE E.P. DO SALEWISE? PLEASED WITH IT? HOWS THE L.P. DOING?

IAN...I'VE GOT ABOUT 50 E.P.'S LEFT, IF ANYONE WANTS ONE THEY'RE £1.50 INC P&P AND BADGE IF I'VE GOT ANY LEFT, WE'RE PLEASED WITH IT FOR WHAT IT WAS, THE RECORDINGS NOT GREAT BUT THE SONGS SHINE THROUGH. WE'RE A LOT MORE PLEASED WITH THE LP, ITS SOLD ABOUT 500 IN THE SHOPS AND YOU CAN GET IT FROM ME FOR £3.50 INC P&P PLEASE BUY ONE AS I'VE GOT 275 TO FLOG! JOHN PEEL'S PLAYED ABOUT 5 TRACKS AND WE'RE HUSTLING FOR A SESSION. A DAMN GOOD RECORD.

WHATS YOUR VIEWS ON THIS HARDCORE/SKATE CRAZE?

IAN...WOI'S GOT A GREEN SKATEBOARD BUT THE TRUCKS ARE BUST. I DONT REALLY CARE EITHER WAY BUT TOMMY STUPID SUCKS APPARENTLY.(HE DOES-ED)

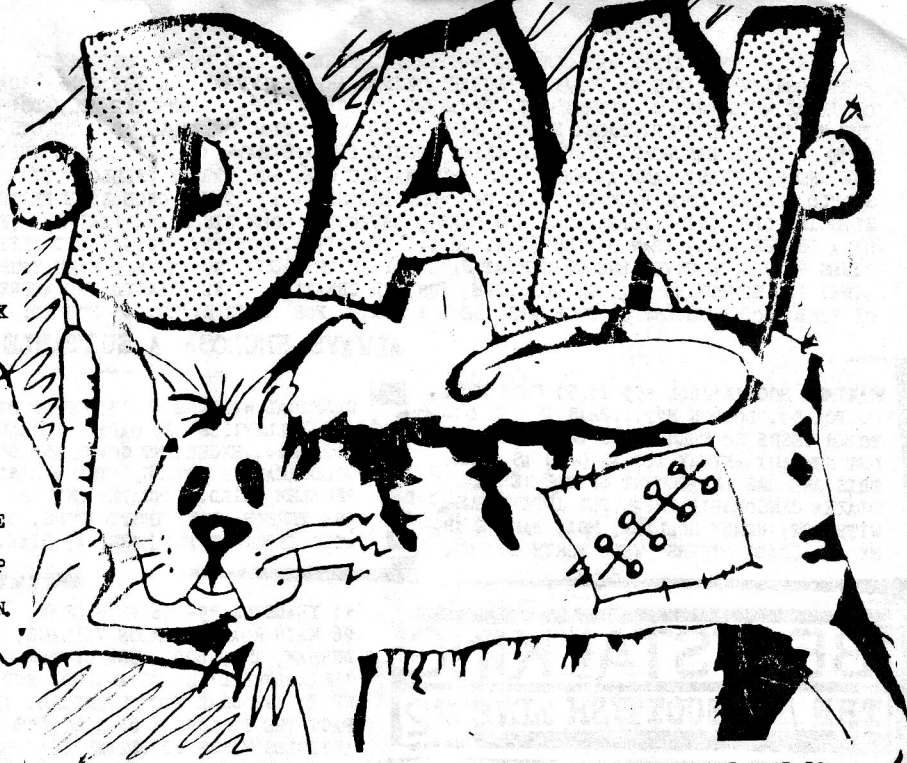


YOUR SONGS SEEM MOSTLY HUMOROUS, BUT WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS ON VIVISECTION/SOUTH AFRICA/A.L.F.?

IAN...SORRY, BUT WE'VE ONLY GOT 2 HUMOROUS SONGS-'IF YOUR HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT' & 'POSTER PAINT'. I DONT SEE THE POINT IN THE OTHER HALF OF THE QUESTION COS IF YOU THOUGHT I WAS PATHETIC ENOUGH TO BE ANTI ALF/VIVISECTION AND PRO APARTHEID THEN YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BOTHERED WRITING IN THE FIRST PLACE, WOULD YOU?(NO, I WOULDN'T BUT I ASKED YOUR VIEWS ON THE SUBJECTS NOT IF YOU WERE FOR OR AGAINST-ED)I CANT AGREE WITH EVERY THING THE ALF DO THOUGH.

WILL YOU BE COVERING ANY OF THESE SUBJECTS OR ANY OTHER SERIOUS STUFF ON FUTURE RELEASES?

IAN...I DONT KNOW WHETHER WE WILL OR NOT, MOST OF OUR NEW STUFF IS MORE PERSONAL, CEPT ONE ABOUT THE RELIGIOUS FUNDAMENTALIST MOVEMENT IN AMERICA. I DONT UNDERSTAND A LOT OF JULIE'S LYRICS ANYWAY, I DONT THINK SHE DOES SOMETIMES.



DO YOU THINK CON-FLICT DESERVE ALL THIS SLAGGING OR DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD IGNORE WHAT THEY'VE DONE AND FORGET ABOUT THEM?

IAN...I DECLINE TO COMMENT ON THE GROUNDS THAT WE MAY GET A NICE LETTER FROM STEVE IGNORANT TELLING US THAT WE'RE GONNA DIE WHEN WE PLAY LONDON, LIKE CIVILISED SOCIETY DID.

WHAT BANDS ARE DAN RAVING ABOUT AT THE MOMENT? ANY GOOD LIVE ACTS?

IAN...PUNKY BANDS-HDQ, INCEST BROTHERS, ANTISECT, CIVILISED SOCIETY, DECADENCE WITHIN. NON PUNKY-BLYTH POWER MEKONS, THAT PETROL EMOTION, SUSANNE VEGA. JULIE WENT TO SEE THE HOUSEMARTINS LAST WEEK AND SAID THEY WERE GOOD.

WHAT HAPPENED TO 'TESTAMENT OF REALITY' ZINE? ANY MORE PLANNED?

IAN...I GOT BORED, TOOK IT AS FAR AS I COULD. NO I'VE NOT GOT ANYMORE PLANNED.



WILL WE EVER SEE DAN SINGING ABOUT THERMONUCLEAR WAR AND PLAYING RAGING THRASH METAL?!!

IAN...WE USED TO, AND WE USED TO HAVE A COUPLE OF RAGING METAL THRASH SONGS, BEFORE IT WAS HIP. WE'VE GOT A NEW COVER, LED ZEPPLIN'S COMMUNICATION BREAKDOWN EXCEPT ITS A BIT FASTER THAN THE ORIGINAL.

LAST WORDS?

IAN...WE'VE GOT A MINI ALBUM OUT IN AUGUST ON ALL THE MADMEN CALLED 'AN ATTITUDE HITS' SO START SAVING THE PENNIES. TAKE CARE.

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SO IT SEEMS THAT ZINES ARE GETTING BETTER AND MORE REGULAR WHICH MUST BE ONE OF THE MORE POSITIVE POINTS OF TODAY'S 'SCENE'. ZINES ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE COMMUNICATION OF IDEAS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE CENSORED BY TRENDSETTING SCUM LIKE 'SOUNDS' AND THE VARIOUS OTHER SHITRACS. NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO SLAG OF ZINES AS PRODUCTS OF SOMEONE ELSE'S HARDWORK. CONSUMER TYPES SHOULD PERHAPS HAVE A GO AT MAKING THEIR OWN ONE AND SEE FIRST HAND AT WHAT GOES INTO MAKING ONE. SIMILARLY 'FELLOW' ZINE MAKERS SHOULD PERHAPS LOOK BACK ON THEIR OWN WORK AND SEE WHAT IT WAS ONCE LIKE BEFORE SLAGGING OFF ZINES (ESPECIALLY NEW ONES). OBVIOUSLY SOME ZINES ARE 'BETTER' (FOR WANT OF A BETTER WORD) THAN OTHERS (I.E. IN LAYOUT, STYLE, CONTENT ETC...) BUT 'LESSER' ZINES SHOULD BE GIVEN ENCOURAGEMENT RATHER THAN CRITICISM. SO WHY NOT MAKE YOUR OWN ZINE? ITS SOMETHING THAT IS POSITIVE, FUN AND CREATIVE. I'VE PRINTED THE ADDRESSES OF SOME GOOD PRINTERS ON PAGE 2 SO SEND A S.A.S. FOR THEIR RATES. GO FOR IT!

ALWAYS ENCLOSE A SUITABLE S.A.E.

MAXIMUM ROCK'N'ROLL *53-£1.50 FROM MRR,
PO BOX 59, LONDON N22...THIS IS THE OCTOBER ISSUE SO THERE WILL BE A NEW ONE OUT NOW BUT ANYWAY ITS AS GOOD AS EVER. THIS ONE HAS AN ACCOUNT OF THE JELLO BIAFRA CENSORSHIP TRIAL PLU INTERVIEWS WITH SDT, HENRY ROLLINS, MSI, BARBIE ARMY AND LOADS OTHERS. WELL WORTH BUYING.

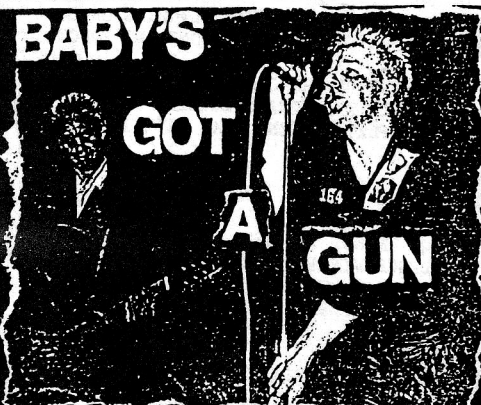
CHEMICAL WARFARE *1- 30p FROM MICK,
28 BELLEVILLE DR, OADBY, LEICESTER, LE2 4HA...EXCELLENT COVER AND SOME GOOD READING INSIDE, LIKE A MINI PROBLEM CHILD. CONTAINS EXTREME NO-ISE TERROR, DAN, INSTIGATORS, DEVIATED INSTINCT AND MORE. A5 SIZE.

DIRECT ACTION *43- 25p FROM BOX D.A,
C/O RAVEN PRESS, 75 PICADILLY, MANCHESTER...THE VOICE OF ANARCHO-SYNDICALISM IT SAYS. HAS IMPROVED A LOT RECENTLY. THIS ONE HAS AN INTERVIEW WITH TOM WATT(LOFTY, EASTENDERS!) WHO CLAIMS HE'S AN ANARCHO-SYNDICALIST. GOOD READING.

PROBLEM CHILD *8- 40p FROM P.C. ZINE,
51 YEADING LANE, HAYES, MIDDX, UB4 0EN...AS GOOD AS EVER, JUST KEEPS ON ROLLING. CONTAINS INSTIGATORS, ATAVISTIC, DAN, SHRAPNEL, HERESY, HALF OFF PLUS LETTERS, ADS ETC. A5 SIZE. BUY IT!

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WAS DISAPPOINTING AS IT WAS A BENEFIT FOR THE LEEDS HUST
FUND. FIRST ON WAS A SORT OF FOLK MUSICIAN CALLED OBSES
WHO REMINDED ME OF STEVE L. EXCELLENT STUFF. DARK CRUSADE
FROM BARNSELY WERE ON NOW. SOME OF THEIR STUFF WAS OK BUT
AS WITH MOST FASHIONABLE HARDCORE BANDS I COULDN'T REALLY
TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY. THE BACKHOI WAS ON NOW, HE WAS A SORT
OF ANARCHO BILLY BRAGG AND GOT QUITE A GOOD REACTION. I
THINK IT WAS THE INCEST BROTHERS ON NEXT (WHAT A MEMORY!).
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DEMO AS WELL AS A FEW NEWIES BEFORE BEING HASSED OF STAGE
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CIVILISED SOCIETY STRANGLEY HAD A PERFECT SOUND AS WELL
AS LIGHTING EFFECTS. DECKED OUT IN 'METALLICA' T-SHIRTS
AND LONG CRIMPED HAIR THEY GAVE A GOOD SHOW AS PER USUAL.
THEY ARE A FUCKIN GOOD BAND BUT THIS TRENDY METAL IMAGE IS
GETTING BEYOND A JOKE. I REMEMBER NOT SO LONG AGO THE VERY
SAME BAND HAD A SONG CALLED 'FASHION'...

THATCHER ON ACID/DECADENCE WITHIN/THE SMART PILLS-NEWCASTLE
RIVERSIDE, 12 JULY...THIS GIG WAS FURTHER PROOF OF THE
AMOUNT OF POSERS IN TODAY'S SCENE, IT SEEMS THAT 'UNFAMOUS'
BANDS ARE TOO UNHIP TO SUPPORT. SEVEN DAYS PREVIOUS TO
THIS GIG 400 TURNED UP TO SEE ROCKSTARS CONFLICT WHILE NO
MORE THAN 30 MUST HAVE PAID IN TO SEE THIS. ANYWAY THE
BANDS DID THEIR BEST. THE SMART PILLS WERE FIRST ON AND
SURPRISED ME AS ON RECORD I FIND THEM BORING BUT THEY KICK
ED OF HERE TONIGHT WITH TWO SONGS THAT WERE ALMOST THRASH.
IT SEEMS THAT THE NEAR GOTHIC MUSIC HAS BEEN DITCHED, NOT
BAD AT ALL. DECADENCE WITHIN ARE ALWAYS A BAND WORTH GOING
TO SEE. HOW ANYONE CAN SAY THIS BAND ARE LIKE THE SUBHUM-
ANS IS BEYOND ME. ANYWAY THEIR STUFF WAS GENERALLY METALLY
WITH PLENTY OF FAST BITS TO GO CRAZY TO. AS GOOD AS EVER.
THATCHER ON ACID LIKE SMART PILLS ARE A THREE PIECE THOUGH
MUSICALLY THEY ARE MORE VARIED. SOME OF THEIR STUFF IS
FAST AND POWERFUL WHILE SOME OF IS SLOW AND 'EMOTIONAL'.
WHATEVER TYPE OF MUSIC THEY PLAYING IT ALWAYS HAS A TUNE
TO IT. ITS A PITY ABOUT THE TURNOUT COS THIS WAS A FUCKIN
GOOD GIG.

POTENTIAL THREAT/DEBAUCHERY/BLACK DEATH-NEWCASTLE RIV-
ERSIDE 27 SEPTEMBER...CHRIST! THIS GIG HAD ONE OF THE
'DEADEST' ATMOSPHERES I'VE EVER HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO
EXPERIENCE. BLACK DEATH DID LITTLE TO CHEER US UP. YUP,
YOU'VE GUESSED, THEY'RE WAIT FOR IT...A METAL BAND!
AAARRRGHH! I RECKON THE GUITARIST AND BASSIST SHOULD
HAVE STAYED IN HAGAR THE WOMB. DEBAUCHERY WERE SIMILAR
THOUGH SLIGHTLY BETTER. BORING THOUGH POTENTIAL THREAT
ARE AT LEAST THEIR NOT METAL, WELL NOT YET. THE GUITAR-
IST WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO MADE AN ATTEMPT TO ACTUALLY
USE HIS FEET AND MOVE. THE SONGS WERE GOOD ENOUGH BUT
WHAT THEY NEED IS A LITTLE ACTION! FOR SOME REASON
THEY SEEMED TO BURST INTO LIFE IN THEIR LAST TWO SONGS
AND ACTUALLY MANAGED TO GET SOME FOLK UP DANCING. AN
EASILY FORGETTABLE GIG, I'M AFRAID.

CHAOS UK/THE FIEND/ORCUS-NEWCASTLE RIVERSIDE 23 AUG-
UST...I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS GIG AS THE VISIONS
OF CHANGE WERE ORIGINALLY BILLED TO PLAY. HOWEVER I
WOULD HAVE TO MAKE DO WITH THE FIEND. ORCUS WERE FIRST
ON AND WELL...THEY'RE A COCK-ROCK METAL BAND WITH BIG
EGOS WHO STICK THEIR GUITARS BETWEEN THEIR LEGS AND
GENERAL JUST POSE AROUND. AWFUL. THE FIEND WERE MUCH
BETTER THOUGH. GOOD OLE FAST PUNK ROCK! THE SINGER HOW-
EVER IS A MANIAC! THE GUY HAD THIS MASSIVE AXE (A REAL
ONE!) WHICH HE IMPALED IN THE STAGE EVERY NOW AND THEN.
QUITE ENTERTAINING. CHAOS UK WERE FAST, NOISY AND FULL
OF FUN. THEY PLAYED ALL THEIR CLASSICS, SOME OF THEM
TWICE, AND ALTHOUGH ONE SONG SOUNDED PRETTY MUCH LIKE
THE LAST ONE EVERYONE HAD A GOOD TIME. IF YOU GET THE
CHANCE, SEE THIS BAND.

OI POLLOI/TOXIK EPHEX/CIVILISED SOCIETY-BRADFORD MAN-
HATTAN CLUB, 7 AUGUST...NOT A VERY GOOD CROWD HERE TO-
NIGHT WHICH I THINK WAS JUST AS WELL CONSIDERING THE
SIZE OF THE PLACE. CIVILISED SOCIETY WERE ON FIRST
AND BORED EVERYONE TO TEARS, GETTING MORE METAL ALL
THE TIME, THIS BAND-YAWN. TOXIK EPHEX, PLAYING THEIR
FIRST ENGLISH GIG, WERE TOTALLY DIFFERENT. THEY WERE
SO ENERGETIC, TUNEFUL AND FULL OF LIFE THAT IN NO TIME
THE DANCEFLOOR WAS PACKED. 'MAGGIE', 'THE FINAL EPITAPH'
AND 'FALLOUT SHELTER' WERE AMONG SOME OF THE EXCITING
AND THOUGHTFUL SONGS PLAYED. SEE THIS BAND AT ALL COS-
TS! OI POLLOI WERE MET WITH A CROWDED DANCEFLOOR AND
STORMED THROUGH MOST OF THEIR FAVES. BUT WHERE WERE
CLASSICS LIKE 'APARTHEID STINK' AND 'RICH SCUMBAG'???



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KELVINGROVE PARK FREEDOM FESTIVAL, GLASGOW 1 AUGUST...
THIS WAS AN ALMOST IDEAL SETTING FOR AN OPEN AIR GIG
WIFE A LARGE COVERED STAGE AND A SEATED ARENA. ABOUT
400 ANARCHO FOLK FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY TURNED UP
TO WITNESS THIS FREE GIG/GATHERING. UNFORTUNATELY A
NOTICABLE NUMBER OF DICKHEAD PUNKS(?) AND RIGHT WING
SKINHEADS WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE. SURPRISINGLY ONLY
TWO UNIFORMED COPS WERE SPOTTED KEEPING AN EYE ON THE
SITUATION BUT SOMEHOW THEY RESTRAINED THEMSELVES FROM
KEEPING THE SKINS HASSLING PEOPLE HERE & THERE. OUTS-
WITCH A NEWISH LOCAL BAND WERE ON FIRST ALTHOUGH THEY
DIDN'T GET MUCH OF A REACTION THEY PLAYED A GOOD, MUS-
ICAL SET. I CAN'T REMEMBER THE EXACT ORDER OF ALL THE
BANDS BUT ANYWAY LOST CAUSE PLAYED A NOT BAD SET WHICH
SECURED A BIT OF 'PROMISE'. STATE CONTROL WITH A NEW
LINE UP, I THINK, WERE TERRIBLE. CHAOTIC SUBVERSION WERE
100 MPH TOTAL THRASH AND WEREN'T BAD. THE DISTURBED
WERE FAST'N'POWERFUL AND DIDN'T LET US DOWN. THEIR NEW
DEMO WILL BE A CLASSIC WHEN IT COMES OUT. TRIBE OF BEN
WHC NEVER STRUCK ME AS BEING A POLITICAL BAND WERE
NEVER THE LESS QUITE GOOD. A BIT MORE MUSICAL THAN YOUR
AVERAGE HARDCORE BAND. MAXIMUM SECURITY SEEM TO BE GET-
TING FASTER THE MORE I SEE THEM. BUT THEY WEREN'T UP TO
SCRATCH TODAY I DIDN'T THINK. ACA LIKE THE DISTURBED
SEEM TO BE GETTING BETTER ALL THE TIME. THEY PLAYED
SOME SONGS OF THEIR NEW L.P. WHICH ARE JUST AS FAST
TEUGH A BIT MORE COMPLEX THAN THEIR OLDER STUFF. THEY
GOT PROBABLY THE BEST REACTION OF THE DAY WITH LOTS OF
PEOPLE THROWING THEMSELVES ABOUT IN A WILD FRENZY.
DANEERT NOBACON CAME ON NEXT AND ALMOST TRANSFIXED THE
CROWD. NEARLY EVERYONE (APART FROM A FEW SKINS) SEEMED
TO ENJOY HIS ACCUSTIC FOLK LIKE MUSIC. BY FAR THE BEST
ACT OF THE DAY. TWO MEMBERS OF THE INCEST BROTHERS THEN
TOOK THE STAGE TO MESS AROUND AND CHEER PEOPLE UP AND
WERE GETTING A GOOD REACTION WHEN THE SKINS STARTED TO
MAKE THEMSELVES HEARD WITH THEIR SEIG-HEILING. WHEN
NUT INCEST ANNOUNCED "THIS SONG IS FOR THE SKINS, ITS
CALLED 'FUCK THE NAZIS'" THEIR OUTSTRETCHED ARMS WENT
INTO A FRENZY. THE INCEST BROTHERS HAD BEEN OFF THE
STAGE FOR ABOUT 2 MINUTES WHEN TWO SKINS JUMPED UP AND
STARTED SHOUTING THEIR RACIST SHIT THROUGH THE MIC'S.
THEY WERE MET WITH A HAIL OF ABUSE AND DOZENS OF FOLK
STORMED THE STAGE AND SET ABOUT KICKING LUMPS OUT OF
THE SKINS. THE OTHER SKINS SEEMED TO CONTENT TO WATCH
THE SITUATION FROM THE TOP OF THE 'ARENA'. THE SITUAT-
ION WAS COMING UNDER OUR CONTROL WHEN LITERALLY OUT OF
NOWHERE NEARLY 100 COPPERS WADED INTO THE CROWD WITH TH-
EIR BATONS, ONLY ABOUT A DOZEN OR SO OF THE 45 ARREST-
ED MUST HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE FIGHTING. OUT OF THEM
ONLY ONE WAS A SKINHEAD. THAT AND THE FACT THE PIGS SE-
EMED TO THOROUGHLY ENJOY THE 'RIOT' LEADS ME TO BELIEVE
THAT THE PIGS HAD A HAND IN STARTING THE TROUBLE. CO-
ULD IT BE REALISTIC TO SAY THAT SOME OF THE SKINS WERE
IN FACT UNDER COVER PIGS? MOST PEOPLE I SPOKE TO FROM
THE GLASGOW AREA HAD NEVER EVEN SEEN THE SKINS BEFORE.
AND I MEAN WHAT WOULD GIVE THE AUTHORITIES GREATER PL-
EASURE THAN TO SABOTAGE A TOTALLY 'PEACEFUL' GATHERING
OF 'SUBVERSIVES'. THERE WERE HOWEVER A COUPLE OF GOOD
POINTS IN THE FACT THAT AT LEAST 5 PIGS WERE HOSPITAL-
ISED AND THAT MOST 'PUNKS' SEEMED TO STICK TOGETHER
AND SUPPORT THEIR 'MATES' WHO WERE GETTING ARRESTED OR
KICKED AROUND BY THE PIGS. THE NEXT NIGHT (SUNDAY) THE-
RE WAS A GIG AT THE BOULEVARD HOTEL IN CLYDEBANK WITH
CULTURE SHOCK, OI POLLOI, TOXIK EPHEX AND CONSCIENCE.
STATE OF DECAY WERE ALSO MENT TO HAVE PLAYED BUT BOTH
THEIR BASSIST AND DRUMMER HAD BEEN NICKED THE DAY BE-
FORE. THAT ALSO MEANT THAT CONSCIENCE WERE WITHOUT A
BASSIST AND THAT BRUCE THE BASSIST OF ACA HAD TO PLAY
DRUMS FOR OI POLLOI. BOTH BANDS DID WELL IN THE CIRCUM-
STANCES AND THE GIG WAS EXCELLENT WITH A GOOD FRIENDLY
ATMOSPHERE AND NO TROUBLE. ANYWAY LEAFLETS WERE HANDED
OUT BY THE ANARCHIST LEGAL SUPPORT GROUP SAYING THERE
WAS TO BE A MEETING OUTSIDE GLASGOW SHERRIF COURT THE
NEXT DAY TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO WERE BEING RELEASED. BY
4PM MONDAY NEARLY 100 FOLK WERE GATHERED OUTSIDE THE
COURT. AND GUESS WHAT? TV CREWS FROM BOTH SCOTTISH TV
AND THE BEC WERE THERE. THEY INTERVIEWED SOME MEMBERS
OF THE ALSO WHO PUT THEIR POINTS OVER VERY WELL AND
GAVE THE PIGS A BAD NAME. THE PAPERS, UNUSUALLY, CARRIED
'REASONABLE' REPORTS OF THE DAYS EVENTS AND OVERALL THE
PIGS DIDN'T PUT UP MUCH VERBAL RESISTANCE TO THE ACC-
USATIONS AGAINST THEM. THE LATEST NEWS IS THAT ALL TH-
OSE ARRESTED HAVE BEEN RELEASED WITHOUT CHARGE PENDING
FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS BY THE POLICE. THERE IS HOWEVER
A BUST FUND SO ANY DONATIONS WOULD BE GRATEFULLY RECE-
IVED (SEE PAGE 2). INCIDENTALLY, 4 OTHER BANDS DID TURN
UP BUT OBVIOUSLY WERE PREVENTED FROM PLAYING, THEY WERE:
CULTURE SHOCK, TOXIK EPHEX, REVULSION AND RHETRIC.
THE WHOLE DAY WAS AS GOOD AN ARGUMENT AGAINST PACIFISM
AS YOU'LL EVER HOPE TO GET. UNFORTUNATELY.

MORE GIGS

TAYPORT BEACH PARTY, DUNDEE 15 AUGUST...AFTER THE SUCCESSFUL EVENT IN '86 WE WERE ALL HOPING THIS WOULD BE EVEN BIGGER AND BETTER. UNFORTUNATELY ONLY ABOUT 300 TURNED UP, THOUGH THE WEATHER MIGHT HAVE HAD AN INFLUENCE THERE. A FEW BANDS EITHER DIDN'T TURN UP OR COULDN'T PLAY FOR SOME REASON LIKE POLITICAL ASYLUM, AOA, STATE OF DECAY & FEED YOUR HEAD WHICH WAS A BIT DISAPPOINTING. BUT WE STILL HAD MANY GOOD BANDS TO ENTERTAIN US INCLUDING TWO NON-SCOTTISH BANDS. I'D SAY THAT ABOUT A DOZEN BANDS PLAYED THOUGH IN WHAT ORDER (AND WHO SOME OF THEM WERE!) I COULDN'T DEFINITELY SAY. I REMEMBER HOWEVER THAT PINK DEATH FROM ABERDEEN WERE FIRST ON. THEY PLAYED FOR ABOUT 25 MINUTES NON-STOP AND GAVE US A FEW DECENT TUNES, NOT BAD. IN PARTICULAR ORDER OTHER BANDS THAT PLAYED IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF HOURS WERE I.D. PARADE FROM DUNFERMLINE WHO WERE NOT BAD BUT NOTHING SPECIAL. TARTAN PAINT WERE IN A SIMILAR VEIN. BIDERIDOO, FOUR RAVING NUTTERS FROM DUNDEE, TOOK THE STAGE IN YET ANOTHER SET OF RIDICULOUS COSTUMES AND MANAGED TO RAISE A FEW LAUGHS WITH THEIR ANTICS. TOXIK EPHEX WERE JUST AS POPULAR AS EVER EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE MINUS THEIR SINGER. THEY PLAYED ALL THEIR FAVES AND GOT A LARGE NUMBER OF FOLK UP DANCING. BRAIN DAMAGE FROM DUNDEE SEEM TO BE IMPROVING ALL THE TIME, THEY PLAYED A FAST & POWERFUL SET WHICH MANAGED TO MOVE A FEW BODIES. ANOREXIA FROM BIRMINGHAM WERE THE FIRST 'FOREIGN' BAND TO TAKE THE STAGE AND ALTHOUGH THEY PLAYED A GOOD SET THEY DIDN'T GET MUCH OF A REACTION SADLY. EXALT ANOTHER DUNDEE BAND WERE PRETTY AWFUL THOUGH QUITE A FEW FOLK SEEMED TO ENJOY THEM. STALAG 17 FROM NORTHERN IRELAND TOOK THE STAGE TO THE DELIGHT OF MANY AND THEY DIDN'T LET US DOWN. "CAUSE WITHOUT A WAR", "SOFA HEAD" AND "PARTY TALK" WERE AMONG THE SONGS INCLUDED IN THEIR BLISTERING SET. GREAT STUFF. OI POLLOI WHO NEED NO INTRODUCTION HAD PROBABLY THE BEST SOUND OF ALL THE BANDS AND PLAYED A TIGHT, POWERFUL SET AND WERE MUCH BETTER THAN USUAL. THE DISTURBED CAME ON AND WERE AS GOOD AS EVER THOUGH AFTER ONLY 3 OR 4 SONGS, THE RAIN WHICH HAD BEEN COMING ON & OFF ALL DAY SUDDENLY STARTED TO PISS DOWN BUT DID LITTLE TO DAMPEN THE GOOD ATMOSPHERE. THE GENERATOR THEN BROKE DOWN THUS CALLING A HALT TO THE DAY AT ABOUT 2AM. MOST PEOPLE THEN RETIRED TO BED TO HAVE A RATHER 'WET' NIGHT'S SLEEP. APART FROM A FEW DRUNKS (ONE WHO HAD STAGGERED INTO THE SEA HAD TO GET 'RESCUED' BY A MORE ALERT MEMBER OF THE CROWD) THERE WAS A GOOD FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE WITH NO TROUBLE WHATSOEVER. THE ONLY REAL COMPLAINT BEING THE WEATHER. WHY CAN'T MORE GIGS/EVENTS BE LIKE THIS?

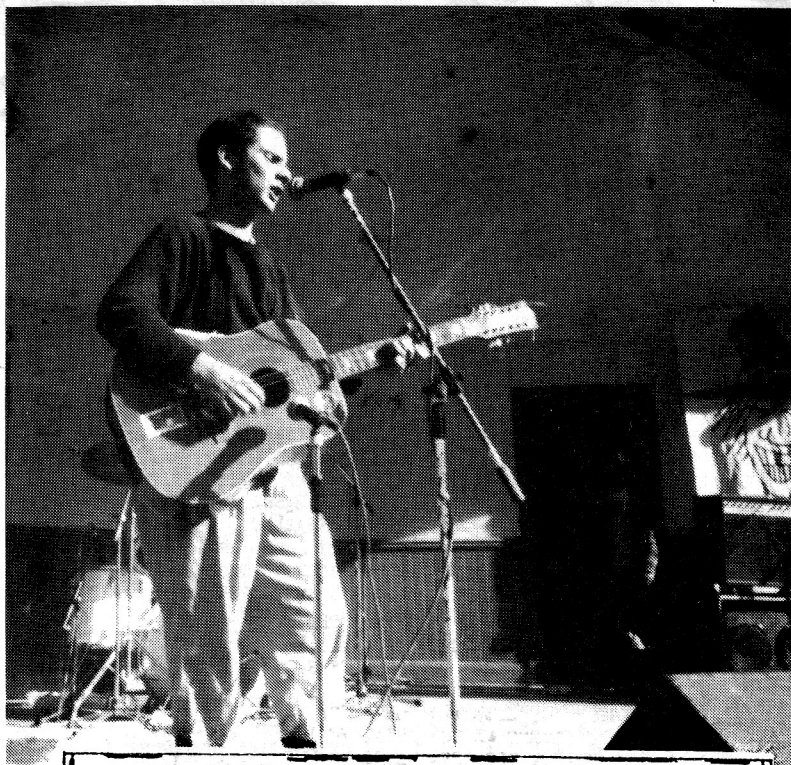
AMEBIX/CIVILISED SOCIETY/HELLBASTARD-NEWCASTLE RIVERSIDE, 20 SEPTEMBER...A GOOD TURNOUT HERE TONIGHT, WITH QUITE A NUMBER OF METALHEADS INCLUDED. HELLBASTARD PLAYING HERE FOR THE UMPTENTH TIME WERE BETTER THAN USUAL AND HAD A GUEST VOCALIST & BASSIST COME ON FOR A COUPLE OF SONGS. NOT BAD. NEXT WAS...AAARRRGHHH... CIVILISED SOCIETY, THE MORE I SEE THIS BAND THE MORE I DISLIKE THEM. AMEBIX CAME ON WITH ME STILL FEELING A BIT NAUSEAS AFTER CIVILISED SOCIETY. THE OPENING STRAINS OF THEIR KEYBOARDS AND THE AWESOME SIGHT OF 4 FIGURES IN A MIST OF DRY ICE SOON GOT A MASS OF BODIES ON THE DANCEFLOOR. 'DRINK AND BE MERRY', 'THE DARKEST HOUR' AND 'ARISE' WERE AMONG THE 'BONECRUSHING' SONGS PLAYED. YES AMEBIX ARE EXCELLENT LIVE BUT IT SEEMS THAT THEY TOO ARE WALKING THE PATH TO ROCK STARDOM WHAT WITH THEIR STALL SELLING T-SHIRTS AT £5.50 AND CRAPPY LITTLE PATCHES AT 75p! APART FROM HELLBASTARD AND ONE OR TWO OTHER GENUINE, HONEST BANDS I THINK ITS SAFE TO SAY "ROCK AGAINST METAL!"

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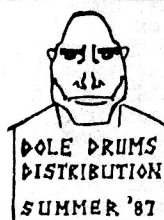
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ASYLUM, TOXIC WASTE AND STALAG 17 FEATURE ON THIS, THE 1ST RELEASE ON WARZONE RECORDS. TOXIC WASTE ARE BETTER THAN BEFORE WITH GOOD FAST, POWERFUL AND TUNEFUL MUSIC, THE MALE AND FEMALE VOCALS COMING WELL. ASYLUM ARE NEW TO ME. THEIR MUSIC IS PRETTY FAST WITH SOME GOOD TUNES BUT THE PRODUCTION LETS IT DOWN A BIT. STALAG 17 ARE AS GOOD AS EVER THOUGH ITS SOUNDS AS IF THEY RECORDED THEIR STUFF IN A MASSIVE CAVE OR SOMETHING! THEIR BEST ONE IS THE CLASSIC "CAUSE WITHOUT A WAR" WHICH SUMS UP SOME OF THE ROCKSTARS IN TODAY'S 'SCENE'. ONE BAND IN PARTICULAR...THE ALBUM COMES WITH A LYRIC BOOKLET AND A REALLY INFORMATIVE 'POSTER' ON PLASTIC BULLETS. THIS IS WELL WORTH THE MONEY, SO BUY IT! £4.50 INC POSTAGE FROM WARZONE, 45/47 DONEGALL STREET, BELFAST, BT1 2PG, NORTHERN IRELAND.

SUBHUMANS-29:29 SPLIT VISION (BLUURG)

IS THIS THE LAST IN THE LONG LINE OF SUBHUMAN RELEASES OR HAVE THEY GOT SOMETHING ELSE HIDDEN AWAY SOMEWHERE? ANYWAY, HERE YOU GET ALMOST 30 MINUTES OF CLASSIC SUBHUMANS FOR ONLY £3.50. SOME OF ITS FAST, SOME IS SLOW, SOME IS REGGAEISH. ITS ALL GOOD STUFF. BEST ONES ARE DEHUMANISATION AND WORLDS APART.

MUSIC

ATAVISTIC-LIFE DURING WARTIME (PEACEVILLE)
THE FIRST ATAVISTIC VINYL RELEASE AND AFTER THE EXCELLENT DEMO, I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS. BUT...AAAARRGH! WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT. FOUR TRACKS OF TOTAL NOISE WITH VIRTUALLY NO TUNE OR MELODY AT ALL. THE COVER IS GOOD WITH AN EXCELLENT ARTICLE ON THE "WAR AGAINST WOMEN" BUT IF YOU WANT 'MUSIC' WITH YOUR WORDS SKIP THIS AND GO FOR THEIR RAGING "FROM WITHIN" DEMO.

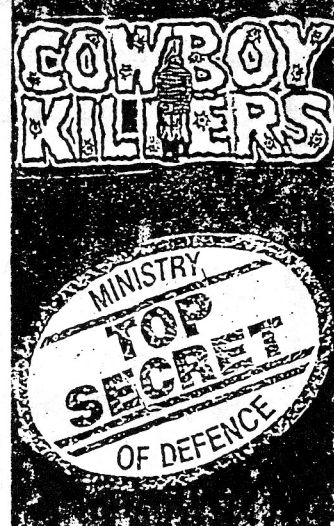
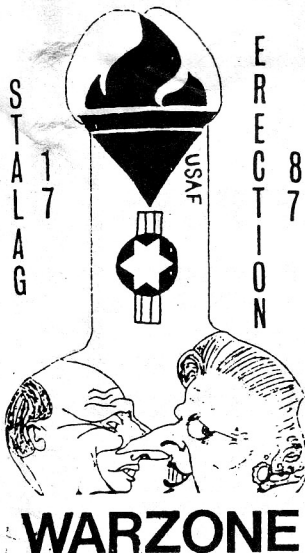
COWBOY KILLERS- TOP SECRET M.O.D. (DEMO)
I'D HEARD A LOT ABOUT THIS BAND AND WAS PLEASANTLY SURPRISED WHEN THIS POPPED THRU' MY LETTERBOX ONE DAY. FOUR TRACKS ALL OF THEM HAVE A STRONG DEAD KENNEDYS FEEL TO THEM. ITS GOOD TO SEE THAT NOT ALL NEW BANDS ARE METAL. 'EMPTY HEAD' AND 'JESUS MOTEL' ARE THE BEST TRAX. £1 INC POSTAGE FROM ME (WITH RHETORIC DEMO ON OTHER SIDE). OR YOU CAN CONTACT THE BAND AT C/O REDDIS, 80 BRYNGLAS DRIVE, NEWPORT, GWENT, WALES.

CULTURE SHOCK-GO WILD! (BLUURG)
YAY! JUST WHAT I ALWAYS WANTED. THIS THE DEBUT LP BY C.S. IS HOT ON THE HEELS OF THE EXCELLENT 'REALITY STOP' DEMO. 6 TRACKS PLUS TWO 'DUB MIXES' HERE. THERE'S RE-RECORDINGS OF THREE OLD SONGS OF THEIR FIRST DEMO AND THREE BRAND NEW CLASSICS. THE MUSIC FOR THOSE WHO DONT KNOW IS THEIR UNIQUE BRAND OF PUNK INFLUENCED REGGAE/SKA. BEST ONES ARE "PUNKS ON POSTCARDS" AND "MESSED UP". WHATEVER YOU DO AT LEAST GIVE THIS A LISTEN. £3.75 INC POSTAGE FROM CULTURE SHOCK, 2 VICTORIA TERRACE, MELKSEAM, WILTS, ENGLAND.



FOUR TRACK EP OUT IN JULY FROM:
PEACEVILLE RECORDS
PO BOX 17, GLENVIEW, WALES
EUROPE £2.00 U.S. \$4.00 (both incl. postage)
£1.30 incl. postage

VARIOUS-NOW THATS WHAT I CALL MUCUS (COMP TAPE)
ANOTHER GOOD QUALITY COMP TAPE HERE. HAS 60 MINUTES OF MUSIC FROM POTENTIAL THREAT, ANOREXIA, PAUL WUGIDU, THE APOSTLES, STATEMENT, LEGION OF PARASITES, DECADENCE WITHIN, ATAVISTIC, EXTORTION, STATE OF DECAY AND NOX MORTIS. MOST TRAX ARE QUITE GOOD THOUGH I THINK PAUL WUGIDU'S ACOUSTIC NUMBERS ARE THE BEST. £1.00 & S.A.E. PLUS DONATION FOR WEST MIDLANDS HUNT SABS FROM SCOTT, 39 MONTMOUTH ROAD, KINGS NORTON, BIRMINGHAM, B30 3QE



VARIOUS-LIVE IN WHITEY (ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN) (C.D.T.F. TAPES)
A COMP TAPE THIS OF VARIOUS BANDS AT VARIOUS VENUES IN WHITEY. BANDS ON IT INCLUDE INDIAN DREAM, M.O.D., CHUMBAWAMBA, DANBERT NOBACON, JOIN HANDS AND POLITICAL ASYLUM. INDIAN DREAM KICK OFF BY SLAGGING OFF COMPLICIT (TUT, TUT!-ED) AND OTHER HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE BOTH OF DANBERT'S SONGS AND A COUPLE OF HUMOROUS RANTS BY CHRIS THE POET. THE QUALITY OVERALL IS QUITE GOOD. £1.50 & S.A.E. FROM HEATH, 3 WINDSOR TERRACE, WHITEY, N. YORKS, YO21 1ET

THATCHER ON ACID-CURDLED LP (ALL THE MADMEN)
BEFORE I SAW THIS BAND IN NEWCASTLE I WAS HOPING THAT THEIR MUSIC WAS GOING TO BE AS GOOD AS THEIR NAME, I WASN'T LET DOWN. THIS LP SHOWS A VARIETY OF STYLES MOSTLY PUNK ORIENTATED. IMAGINE IF YOU CAN A CROSS BETWEEN KILLING JOKE, SUBHUMANS, THE MOB AND CHUMBAWAMBA AND YOU'VE GOT T.O.A. LYRICALLY I FIND THEM SIMILAR TO CHUMBAWAMBA IN AS MUCH AS THEY CAN GET THE MESSAGE ACROSS WITHOUT FORCING IT DOWN YOUR THROAT. THE SONGS THAT REALLY GET ME ARE "NEW THING", "RIFF RAFF/ORTHODOX", "THATCHER ON ACID" AND "FLY"-AGE: £5 INC POSTAGE FROM ALL THE MADMEN, 97 CALEDONIAN RD, LONDON, N1 6HT.

INDECENT ASSAULT-DAWN OF THE ANDROID WORKERS (REAGANSTEIN)
THIS HAS BEEN OUT FOR SOME TIME NOW BUT... THE MUSIC IS IN THE MID PACED HARDCORE/OI STYLE. THE LYRICS HOWEVER COVER VIVISECTION, WAR, WORK AND TOP OF THE POPS. SOME GOOD TUNE AND 'RIFPS' AS WELL AS THE ODD 'CHANT' CHORUS. GOOD STUFF. £1.40 INC POSTAGE FROM DOLE DRUMS DISTRO, 17 PERCY ROAD, RENFREW, RENFREWSHIRE, PA4 8AZ

STALAG 17-ERECTION '87 (WARZONE TAPES)
NO, I'VE NOT MADE A SPELLING MISTAKE IN THE TITLE! THE COVER DEPICTS KINNOCK AND THATCHER'S FACES INCORPORATED INTO A PHALIC SYMBOL OF A MISSILE. ANYWAY, THERE'S 5 SONGS HERE IN TRUE STALAG STYLE, FAST & TUNEFUL- THE BEST ONE BEING A REWORKING OF 'PARTY TALK'. EXCELLENT STUFF. £1 & S.A.E. FROM STALAG 17, 45/47 DONEGALL STREET, BELFAST, N IRELAND, BT1 2FO.

OI POLLOI/TOXIK EPHEX-MAD AS FUCK (GREEN VOMIT)
OI POLLOI'S THIRD SPLIT LP AND BY FAR THEIR WORST. HERE THEY CONCENTRATE ON DOING RE-WORKINGS OF OLDER SONGS AND FOR THE MOST PART RUINING SOME OLD CLASSICS. 'GO GREEN' AND 'SCUM' HAVE BEEN TOTALLY DEMOLISHED BUT THERE IS HOWEVER IMPROVEMENTS ON 'THEY SHOOT CHILDREN' AND 'THE ONLY RELEASE'. OVERALL NOT BAD BUT... TOXIK EPHEX ON THE OTHER HAND ARE A TUNEFUL ALTERNATIVE TO 'POLLOI'S RAGING THRASH. THEIR LYRICS COVER POLICE BRUTALITY MOSTLY THOUGH THE BEST ONE IS THE S.I.F. LIKE SONG ABOUT A DRUNKEN RAMPAGE THROUGH THE TOWN CENTRE! NOT A BAD LP. AVAILABLE FROM ME FOR £4 INC. POSTAGE.

OI POLLOI-UNITE AND WIN (OI: RECORDS)
AT LAST OI POLLOI GET THEIR OWN LP OUT AND IT WAS CERTAINLY WORTH THE WAIT. THIS LP SIMPLY FLOWS AWAY THEIR EFFORTS ON "MAD AS FUCK" AND FOR A MUSICAL SUMMARY IMAGINE A CROSS BETWEEN METALLICA AND BLITZ! MOST OF THE MUSIC ON THIS IS IN THE OI: STYLE AS ARE SOME OF THE LYRICS. ALTHOUGH THERE'S PLENTY OF HUMOUR THE MESSAGE ALWAYS SHINES THROUGH. TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE PUNK PICNICS, OLD PEOPLE AND THE WAY THEY'RE TREATED, BACKSTABBING SCUM IN OUR 'MOVEMENT', POLITICAL PARTIES, GIG WREACKERS... SONGS THAT REALLY STICK OUT ARE 'THROWN ON THE SCRAPHEAP', 'PUNK 'N' SKINS', 'WE DONT NEED THEM' AND 'KILL THE BILL'. THERE'S ALSO PLENTY OF READING AND INFO 'N' STUFF ON THE COVER AND INSERT. THIS LP SHOWS THE REAL OI POLLOI, LETS HOPE THEY KEEP UP THIS SORT OF STUFF AND DITCH THE 'MOSH TO MAX' CRAP.

RACE MIXING IS A CANCER - IT DESTROYS OUR RACE!

NSIWP & NSPUK
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SEND S.A.E. FOR LITERATURE

EARLIER THIS YEAR WHEN I WAS IN NEWCASTLE I SPOTTED SOME RACIST STICKERS ON A WALL IN THE WESTGATE ROAD. I'VE PRINTED ONE HERE. AS YOU CAN SEE ITS GOT AN ADDRESS ON IT SO TELL THE BLACK RACIST SCUM WHAT YOU THINK OF THEM. OTHER SLOGANS INCLUDED "BOMB WHITE TRASH" AND "BLACK POWER NOW".

IT SEEMS THAT ANIMAL ABUSE INCORPORATED HAS SET UP A GROUP TO TRY AND CON THE PUBLIC INTO ACCEPTING VIVISECTION AS ACCEPTABLE. MAYBE THESE BASTARDS SHOULD BE STRAPPED TO A TABLE AND TORTURED TO SEE IF THAT'LL CHANGE THEIR MINDS ABOUT VIVISECTION BEING JUSTIFIED. HERE'S THEIR ADDRESS.

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the need for and benefit
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"CASUALS GO TO WAR"

JUST AN EXTRA BIT HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE EVENTS AT THE END OF THE 2ND PICNIC IN EDINBURGH THIS YEAR. THE PRESS GOT THINGS FUCKED UP AS USUAL. THE PICNIC HAD GONE WITHOUT ANY VIOLENCE UNTIL ABOUT 6 'O CLOCK WITH ONLY ABOUT 100 PUNKS LEFT IN THE GARDENS. ABOUT 30 OR 40 CASUALS, FANS OF HIES F.C., APPEARED ON THE WALKWAY ABOVE US AND STARTED SHOUTING INSULTS. THIS WAS SOON FOLLOWED BY A FEW STONES GETTING THROWN AT US. A VODKA BOTTLE WAS THEN HURLED DOWN AND STRUCK PHIL (NEWCASTLE BUST FUND) ON THE HEAD. WITH BLOOD POURING FROM A WOUND ABOUT 50 PUNKS SCRAMBLED UP THE FLOWER BEDS AFTER THE CASUALS WHO RETREATED UNDER A HAIL OF STONES AND BOTTLES. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A RUNNING BATTLE IN A CROWDED PRINCES STREET WITH BOTTLES AND STONES HITTING BUSES AND CARS. THE POLICE APPARENTLY ARRESTED 4 CASUALS AND DIDN'T TURN UP IN THE GARDENS UNTIL 15 MINUTES AFTER THE TROUBLE HAD FINISHED. PHIL WAS RELEASED AFTER 3 HOURS IN HOSPITAL WITH A BANDAGE ON HIS FOREHEAD. 'CROSSBONES SAYS "KILL A CASUAL TODAY, OI!"

A BLACK WEDGE?

FOR YEARS EDINBURGH HAS HAD LITTLE OR NO 'SCENE'. BOTH POLITICALLY AND MUSICALLY LITTLE HAS HAPPENED. 'PUNK' GIGS HAVE BEEN OCCURRING AT THE RATE OF ONE, MAYBE TWO, A YEAR. IN FACT OUT OF THE LAST FOUR MAIN GIGS, TWO HAVE ENDED IN 'RIOTS' OF SOME DESCRIPTION WITH A TOTAL OF 36 ARRESTS. THIS YEAR HOWEVER A GIG WAS PROMISED MAINLY WITH PEOPLE FROM EDINBURGH DIRECT ACTION MOVEMENT AND COOPER INTERNATIONAL. IT DEALS WITH LOCAL STRIKES, PICKETS ETC AND IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN A DAY OF ACTION AGAINST THE COMPANIES AND BUSINESSES WHICH FINANCE THE RACIST REGIME IN SOUTH AFRICA. HOWEVER A GROUP IS NEEDED WHICH WILL COVER A WIDER RANGE OF ANTI-OPPRESSION ACTIVITIES... ESPECIALLY ANIMAL RIGHTS, SEEING AS THE LOCAL ANIMAL RIGHTS GROUP SEEMS TO BE GETTING REGRESSIVELY MORE 'CONSERVATIVE' IN ITS ATTITUDES. WHAT IS ALSO NEEDED IS A 'CENTRE' WHERE PEOPLE CAN MEET AND COMMUNICATE, AND OF COURSE A PLACE FOR GIGS. THERE IS A HALL WHICH CAN BE HIRED OUT AT A COST OF £55. THINGS NOT INCLUDING A DECENT P.A. OR SOUND EXPENSES. THE POINT BEING THAT MONEY IS NEEDED. DISORDER & DATA MORGANA WILL HOPEFULLY BE PLAYING HERE SOON AND THAT WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE SOME CASH. HOWEVER MONEY IS NEEDED TO GET THE WHOLE THING OF THE BLOODY GROUND! I'VE OPENED AN ACCOUNT AT THE LOCAL CO-OP BANK SO THAT MEANS THAT THE FUND AT THE TIME OF WRITING HAS GOT A FIVER IN IT. WE'VE I'M ASKING FOR IS ENOUGH MONEY TO BE ABLE PAY OFF THE HALL FOR THE FIRST GIG. THE HALL INCIDENTALLY IS THE CALTON STUDIOS IN CALTON ROAD, ABOUT A FIVE MINUTE WALK FROM THE TRAIN STATION. ANYWAY CO-OPERATION FROM OTHER EDINBURGH PUNKS IS NEEDED, ESPECIALLY DONATIONS. BALANCE STATEMENTS, LISTS OF DONATIONS ETC WILL BE PUBLISHED IN ZINES, FLYERS ETC APPROX EVERY 3 MONTHS. I'M ALSO TRYING TO SET UP A DISTRIBUTION SERVICE WITH ANY PROFITS MADE GOING TO THE FUND. LASTLY, IF ENOUGH MONEY IS COLLECTED IT WILL ALSO ACT AS A FIRST FUND TO HELP PAY THE FINES OF THESE INVOLVED IN ANTI-ESTABLISHMENT DIRECT ACTION. CO-OPERATION FROM EVERYBODY IS NEEDED. THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO ROOM FOR BACKSLIDING OR BACKSTAIRING. OUR MOVEMENT HAS BEEN CRUMBLING FOR YEARS, NOW'S THE TIME TO BUILD IT BACK UP. YOUR CO-OPERATION IS NEEDED. THANK FOR 'LISTENING'.

LOVE, HOPE AND ANARCHY.
JOHN S.

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DAN HAVE A NEW LP OUT CALLED AN ATTITUDE HITS ON ALL THE MADMEN RECORDS. THE CROW PEOPLE, HDQ AND THE INSTIGATORS SHOULD ALL HAVE RECORDS OUT NOW ON 'MEANTIME RECORDS'. FOR MORE INFO SEE DAN INTERVIEW FOR ADDRESS. DISORDER ARE WANTING GIGS IN THE U.K. IN SPRING '88 SO ANY GIG ORGANISERS GET IN TOUCH WITH TAF, ENEBAKYEIEN 48, 0657 OSLO 6, NORWAY. ACTIVE SOUNDS DISTRIBUTION ARE CALLING IT A DAY. WRITE FOR THE LAST LIST, ADDRESS IN MUSIC REVIEWS. NEWCASTLE & DURHAM BUST FUND HAS STARTED UP IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS BUT NEEDS DONATIONS URGENTLY. WRITE TO 'NO RESTRICTIONS' ADDRESS ON THE 'PRINT' PAGE. ASK ABOUT THEIR DISTRIBUTION LIST AS WELL.

THE REAL WORKING
CLASS ARE FIGHTING
BACK... ARE YOU?



Pc Blakelock

