

Wednesday 5th November. Wapping. The march from Tower Hill was slow, this being due to the fact that kept slowing down the march and defusing the anger. When we finally got to Wellclose the fireworks really started flying, straight at plod. Plod didn't seem to like this and moved into Wellclose pushing and throwing us about as they usually do. People still continued firing at plod. They then started getting heavy arresting anyone and also battering anyone. This is what we come to expect from plod. Some people were arrested, one of our friends being beaten up by the plod in custody. The rest of the night seemed to be quiet compared to the earlier events.

Saturday 15th November, Wapping. This well attended march showed that the vast majority of those who accepted Murdoch's blood money were the same ones who rarely, if ever, picket, demonstrate or march with us. What we never had we will never miss.

Most of us will not heed Murdoch's call to "take the money and run". We will not stab our union in the back. We will stay and fight. After the usual mass shout-in at Scab Hall, we left for other venues. At about 11.10pm, four scab artics ventured up the Commercial Road. At least one of them wished he hadn't chanced it - it must have been a cold ride up the motorway, if he had it at all.

After that, a number of pickets along the Commercial Road made it a no-go area for the scabs and their blue-clad minders. A scab coach ran the gauntlet several times and around about 12.45 got a lively reception as it neared Butchers Row. The filth then concentrated on getting the papers out via the Highway and Tower Hill.

At 1.30 two artics, heavily escorted front and back, came by. This time, among other things, two road lamps came up and jumped through the closed side window taking the mirror with it. A surprised scab driver found he had an extra light on board with him, some central heating to keep out the cold from the recently installed air conditioning.

Note. Along the Commercial Road, opposite Fenton Street there are two video cameras mounted on each end of the premises of "Sydney St Shopfitters". They are probably being used for rush hour traffic but they will also be used as picket monitor spotters. So beware, no full frontals or road running in the vicinity.

Monday 17th November. Bouverie Street. Anticipating developments, fifty or sixty pickets gathered at Bouverie St around eight in the morning. No police were present. After a while one copper came wobbling down the street. Then realising he had already committed himself, he strolled down to the now-grilled gate, later joined by others. As picket numbers built up to two hundred, a few scabs crawled in to shouts of "scab". Heads down at first, but arrogant once they had some police protection.

Wednesday 19th November, Wapping. One march from Aldgate East tube and the other from Tower Hill. Scab traffic tied up. Hundreds took part in each march. At Aldgate several scab lorries seen early and some were bricked. As march assembled at Aldgate there was one arrest for telling the truth to a police strikebreaker. Marched east on Commercial and stopped at Butcher Row. The scab lorry that would have passed by rear of march (there is always at least one just after march leaves Commercial) got caught in traffic for a while. This march finished at Virginia at midnight. As police cleared road several arrests were made.

Throughout the night vanworkers provided food without equal.

Thursday 20th November. The 116th strike march to Wapping saw 1500 printers march from Fleet St in the afternoon.

Southampton. The local paper recently reported, somewhat sketchily, that parked cars of Wapping scabs had been "vandalised" while they were at work. Police are thought to have pressurised the editor not to reveal the location - we know it was near the local eye hospital. We believe that the attack was probably provoked as a result of internal EETPU jealousy.

Scabs. Many of the former staff hands who crossed the picket line at Bouverie St left in disgust, when the golden futures most had expected in Murdoch's brave new world turned to dross. However, David Blake, 48 Stoncysotts, Waltham Abbey, Essex (former Deputy Head Reader, *Sun*) decided he couldn't resist a menial job at West Horndon TNT depot.

Frank Turvey, 01-551-1372 (former Head Reader, *Sun*) scabs at Fleet House and Grays Inn.

Harry House, 67 Trent Gardens, Cockfosters Rd, N14 4QB, 01-449-6174 (well known to *News of the World* colleagues) is still scabbing as a "consultant".

Scab TGWU shop steward Peter Eady at Marchwood Motors is feeling very proud of himself these days. He has negotiated a £12-a-trip bonus for the drivers who do the regular Southampton-to-Wapping run.

An interesting insight into the type of scab Murdoch recruited from Southampton arrived with the name of Kevin Hayes, of 20 Colebrook Avenue, Shirley, Southampton, 0703-777741, attached to it. He sits atop an ad hoc group inside Wapping that is currently plotting to topple the Scanlon dynasty and cripple Murdoch (once we have been dispersed with).

In Wapping and the T&E NGA: F. Cooper, wireroom manager, 117a Cottonend Rd, Wilstead, Bedfordshire MK45 3DD, 0234-740137. C. Goodwin, 131 Albert Road, Epsom, Surrey KT17 4EN, 78-23463. C.W. Frame, 9 Brook Close, Braintree, Essex CM7 7PY. I. Godmark, 37 Eastcombe Ave, Charlton, London SE7 75D, 01-858-3109.

Scabbed, now paid off: T&E NGA R.D. Walker, 41 Newton Court, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath, W. Sussex RH16 3BC, 0444-458064. M. Dennis, "Stroud", Stroud Rd, Freshwater, Isle of Wight PO40 9JA, 0983-752578.

Reg Brady, white Granada Estate, brown roof, 2-litre, AFN 670V, seen Stroud supermarket car park 8 November.

Ian Thomas, 8 Beaumont Rd, Totton, Southampton 809405.

Paul Mintrum, 66 Summit Way, Midanbury, Southampton 550172.

Scab coach firm: Amigo Coaches, 16 Obelisk Rd, Woolston, Southampton 0703-444929.

Salter Paper Group works with TNT.

Advertises in the Sun: Beneficial Trust & Savings Ltd, Freepost Birmingham B2 4BR. Littlewoods Pools, Freephone 0800-400400. Wholesale Glass, Freephone 0800-919555.

Scab newsagents working in the Standard. Gloucester Rd tube, K. Brown, 593-5700. Kiosk opposite Woolwich Ferry, D. O'Brien, 0322 57989. Brixton Road-White Horse pub, T. Fullbrook, 0322 68755. Beckenham Station, G. Hurley, J. Hurley, 462 6170. Goldhawk Road, J. Marshall, 399 1267. Charlton Church Lane, J. Newman, 303 1455. Clapham Junction Station Bookstall, H. Skevington, 540 9818. Westbourne Park Station, B. Wicks, 949 8894, E. Wicks, 330 1327. Brixton Tube, L. Morbin, 26 Woodvale Walk, Elder Road SE 27, 961 2773, V. Embleton, 94 Oldstead Road, Bromley, Kent.

● Still regular picket at TNT depot, Milton Trading Estate, Didcot, off A 34, Saturday nights, 10pm, Gloucester Green, Oxford for 10.20pm picket.

● Loved the rebel yell at Butchers Row on Saturday night as the Old Bill steamed in. Some wag at the back yelled: "Come the revolution, you will all be hanged." "Why wait for the revolution, there are plenty of lamp posts about. Hang them now!" The best one was on the other corner. Plod was starting to get heavy, pushing people along. "Right, move off, you have had your fun." "We haven't started yet," came the reply. "Wait until we turn nasty, then we will have fun." Plod looked a bit puzzled. He must have thought what he had just seen with the scab lorries was us being nice. God love him.

● What about the Transit van that was escorting six pickets on a walkabout in the Cable St area. The look of surprise, when the pickets turned up a side street to be met by a hundred pickets coming down towards them. Old Bill didn't know whether to have a shit or a shampoo. He was gone.

● **Letter:** How I sympathise with you and your colleagues who worked at R.M. plant. I can imagine what it must be like for you to have worked so long for a company, then have this happen, and as you say, there are many families who are suffering. I only wish something could be done to stop the Newspapers being done/delivered. Then surely sales would fall.

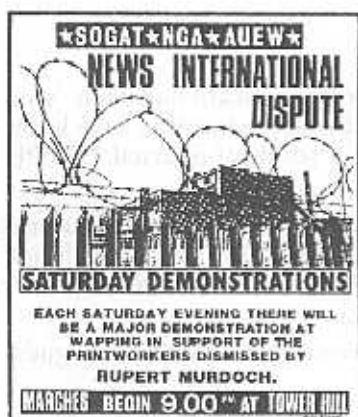
Please accept my apologies for being anonymous, but our next door neighbour is a TNT scab who goes to Wapping overnight, and it's a known fact he collects in the region of £400+ a week. Since doing this run, he has gone insane. I'm sure it affects his brain, doing this run, he does so many petty things, like parking an inch away from our bumper, shouting through letterboxes - he's built his own "Wapping Wall" in the garden, and many other ridiculous things. We live in a little terrace house, and you'd think he owned everything. If there was some way he and the other scabs could be made in the same position, maybe they'd think a bit more of other people.

We support your cause and have a car sticker saying "Don't Buy the Sun etc" and if there was anything else we could do, I'm sure it would be done by many.

● Pickets barred from area. Arrested for shouting "scab". reminds of miners' strike. What would have been the story if printers struck then. Officers and Socialist groups had levy to play safe for capital. Pickets know what to do whether heart of the strike, the mundane jobs, or the soul, the flyers. Will find reinforcements. 7-10,000 "outside agitators" in London (not even counting Labour clubs) are playing possum, they need to be agitated themselves.

● One of the scab artics got its windscreen smashed on the way through Leicester on Saturday.

● Incident at gate this week brought cheer to pickets when on a rainy bleak day a scab Convoy's reels lorry ran into a scab journalist's car.



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Calendar

Monday 24th November, Law Courts, 10am

Free David Payne

Bob Tetaur

Steven Savage

Monday 24th November, TUC, 1pm

Wednesday 26th November, TUC, 9am



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Income: £5 SOGAT driver; 20p resident; 20p Saturday night picket; £2 anon working member; 37p clerical striker; £5 NGA badge table; £2 Fleet St electrician; £8.60 sales; £4.55 NGA machine casual; £1 NUJ striker; £9.61 NGA strikers.

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