

# MONETARISM.....

This present Conservative government represents the demise of post-war consensus as practised by both major parties, Tory and Labour. Adapting to the changes in world capitalism and our home grown variety, the government has embraced an ideology consisting of brutal monetarism coupled with a strengthening of the state apparatus. This allied with a series of moral campaigns are cynically designed to confuse and divide the governed. This cold ruthless application of ideology is manipulated by employing advanced marketing techniques aided by an enthusiastic media.

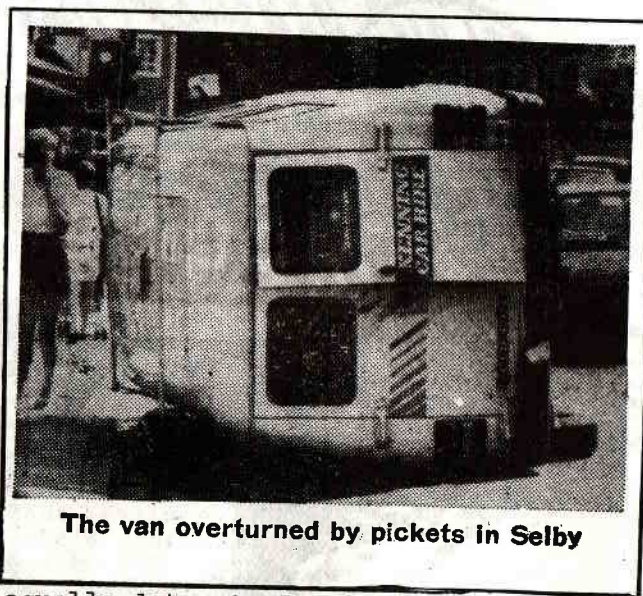
After the stage-managed Conservative Party conference, now the governments economic plans have been revealed, the conclusion is simple, inexcusable. More of the same -- only worse. It is entirely possible that long term unemployment could double over the next few years, to name but on one example.

As capitalism restructures with new technology millions of white collar workers move precariously close towards the economic and social scrapeheap. The sum total of this may be an upheaval that makes the miners strike seem mild by comparison. After all, haven't social struggles become increasingly violent, more difficult to control as time progresses?

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preclude any return to normality. The claims and hints given out by the opposition about a fair society, more participation should they win the next election are a pack of miserable lies. The course has already been set by factors outside the control of even the present government. Even in our weak and fragmented state we cannot afford the dubious luxury of sitting back, pontificating upon events. We too must be



The van overturned by pickets in Selby

equally determined and fanatical, fighting outside and against leftist or state alternatives. Our class expression will manifest itself on the streets, whenever trouble rages against the system. Already, in some urban areas, rioting and looting, with the attendant confrontation against the forces of order is the now accepted method of struggle by those denied political access. And also those increasing numbers that anarchically reject it.

For us it's not a question of setting up paper organisations, but of supporting and backing, helping create an attitude, combative in the extreme with flair and imagination. Grabbing consolidating ground, preventing despair should reverses occur, we must make no attempt to conceal our goal - total revolution leading to an anarchist society. It has arrived at the stage where learning from history has been replaced by the possibility of making it. Not that we ignore history and politics, by any means.

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**FOUR** people were arrested as 100 demonstrators tried to storm a police station at Rochester, Kent, yesterday after a rally in which the organiser, Betteshanger miner Bill Martin, was arrested.

He was believed to have a 10-year-old girl with him at the time.

And in Maltby, near Rotherham, South Yorks, a policeman was punched and four people were arrested after a mob of 20 attacked two off-duty officers.

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But a spokesman at Durham County Police H.Q. said a number of men had been arrested following incidents in the pit villages at Murton, Horden, Easington and Peterlee New Town.

The worst of the violence was believed to have been in Murton.

Mr. White said during the fighting roads were blocked off by police.

He said: "The troubles didn't have anything to do with the pit dispute or any police aggression because they simply were not there when it happened."

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We reject middle-class wanking fantasies revolving around armed-struggle. But on the crudest level, our presence must be on the streets, with a brick in one hand, flogging Class War with the other. Class War isn't only a paper. It's something that will rage from one end of this country to the other. The paper is just one tiny expression.

In the future monetarist paradise there will be hardly any role for even the most reactionary, boot licking Trade unions. The inner city and working class areas will continue to fester while the population in general will experience decreasing living standards which for many of us are beyond a joke anyway. As in line with the governments number one priority, the rich will get richer. Basically the government is planning to hammer us, the working class into the ground. A task that it looks upon with drooling relish.

They've declared their war already.

So, finally our rulers are abandoning their seemingly muddling-along scenario, shrugging off the feeble protests of the `opposition`, including the patrician elements that have been traditionally supplied national leadership. Those in power today are determined ideologues from red-bricked universities hard-faced, self-made bastards of lower middle-class origin. They're beyond caring about abstractions such as maintaining political equilibrium. These are unashamed authoritarians, elitists of a Social-Darwinist stamp, who have every intention of establishing their monetarist dream, irrelevant to the social cost. And far worse awaits in the wings. Sympathisers of a pure bloodied authoritarian state, sociobiologists, extreme racists. How long before they become mainstream conservatism.

So where in this panoramic view do we stand. We have no desire to return to the comfortable post-war consensus. It was people of our ilk that caused disturbance long before Maggie gained poer. Anyway, it is impossible to step backwards, the bridges have long been burnt. The whole world situation, the changes that capitalism is going through

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We'd like to see, among a host of likewise events, organised proletarian crime such as mass shop lifting. High on our priority is the seizure of empty property- not only homes- by people from within the heart of the class. There's no reason why such activity should be confined to mainly youngsters on the fringes of society. Rejecting bourgeois laws, morals and conventions, we've got to be in the position to defend ourselves from media and state attacks. And strike a responsive chord.

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Let's now double our determination to destroy this government, its successors and the ruling classes.

Today's actions, seemingly trivial could take on tremendous proportions sometime in the not too distant future. If it's a choice of extremes, we cheerfully admit to it - we're one of the extremes. VICTORY TO OUR CLASS.

PROLETARIAN

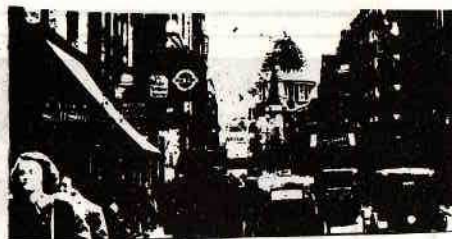


SHOPPING

# STOP THE CITY

On September 27th the forth and hopefully the final stop the city demonstration took place in the city of London. The police had learned well the lessons from the other three and the day was more or less a total disaster with over 470 arrests. It appeared however that unlike the police many demonstrators had ignored the lessons of the past making the police job that much easier.

Many people went along without any actions planned and when they discovered that the police had blocked off the main assembly points (St Pauls & the Royal exchange) they were left wondering around without any clear ideas of what to do or where to go. There were also a large number of people who had made no attempt to disguise their appearance so presenting themselves as obvious targets for the police (I spoke to one punk who had been searched six times by midday!). A noticeable style of dress also made it considerably more difficult to do



that there was no way the police were going to let this happen again. They opted for a saturation affect with well over 1000 cops on duty, they constantly harassed demonstrators by searching them and taking their names. They threatened to and indeed did arrest people for standing in groups of three or more and people were arrested for the most stupid reasons (i.e. carrying a banner, putting leaflets under car windscreen wipers, crossing a zebra crossing too slowly etc, etc). They also confiscated leaflets from anyone seen giving them out. The tactic of cutting off the main assembly points also had a tremendous effect, this made it virtually impossible for people to congregate in large groups. Denied strength in numbers and the support this gave many people who might have done something had the circumstances been right did not.

It should be remembered however that the day was not a total failure, a lot of people went along with actions planned and carried them out with little or no interference: - windows of banks were smashed, countless stink bombs set off, 'posh' cars attacked, roads blocked, police radios jammed and a police car paint bombed, etc etc Also the travelling of over 200 protestors from the city to exfo-

The following article was written by a member of the Class War collective. It is their own personal view on pornography and as such does not represent the ideas of the Class War group. Since we have included this article in this issue, and since we stress that it is the personal view of a class war member, we would also like it to be noted that in the next Class War we will be following this article up with a collective statement of Class War's views on sexual politics. (Betcha can't wait, eh?!!!).

# the porn storm



However it is imperative, if we are to be successful in future, that we learn from our mistakes, we can no longer hope for a mass demonstration of the stop the city kind to be successful, the mere mention of a stop 'the' city has brought the police out in droves all over the country. If we wish to take any effective direct action in future it must be done on a small more local basis with no advertising, it is essential that we take the police by surprise, inconspicuous clothes should always be worn and the scene of the crime be left by the quickest and most convenient route. Obvio-

Pornography arouses one to onastic pleasure. If it doesn't it's simply not porn. It can also be said that one "man's" porn is another "man's" anathema. It is impossible to say a certain thing is pornographic in literature or pictures. The only yardstick with which to measure it being did it make you want to wank or leave you cold is significantly different from something which fills one with discust. Discust being the form of sexual arousal takes in puritans. Because this type of literature fills the likes of Mary Whitehouse and Andrea Dworkin with discust instead of pleasure in themselves and the limitless bounds of imagination, surely they would be better employed 'overcoming' these indoctrinated obstacles in their brains than redirecting hidden desire in the form of census and control of others. Of course, if this is impossible they could just try reading a different sort of book. I myself have found pleasure in many books which have no sex at all. I suggest they are going to the wrong sort of shop, Foyles and Colletts both being within walking distance of soho. If there is any infringement on a person none is more insidious than not being allowed to choose ones own morals or books.

anything because it meant you were being constantly watched by the police. However our main fault for which we are nearly all to blame for, was failing to realise that the police would drastically change their tactics. too many people went along expecting another March 29th with large amounts of damage causing severe disruption to the city, we failed to see

usly there are countless other lessons to be learned. I hope that everyone who took part in stop 'the city' learnt something even just through this it means that the day was'nt a total failure.

It is interesting to note that although 470 were arrested only 35 were actually charged with an offence.