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CRIME & CONSPIRACY!

MURDER, RAPE, THEFT, FRAUD, GUNPOWDER, TREASON & PLOT
OLD FRIEND

Old friend don't you know it's over
Old friend can't you understand
Slap your back, I can no longer
I can only shake your hand

It's been so long, things are so different
Memory lane's a dead end street
Your present tense is reminiscence
I can't rehash it, I won't repeat

You're not so sure about tomorrow
You try to beg and steal and borrow

Lyrics from Loudon Wainwright III, Album II. Atlantic 2400142.
(A NOTE TO OUR READERS)

Yesterday's sweet parting sorrow
You hold it over my head like a rusty axe

The good old days are good and gone now
That's why they're good, because they're gone
But our conversation turns to kow tow
We've kissed the past's arse all night long

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Meir is wanted for questioning about the leading part she is alleged to have played in the notorious Final Solution of some 3 million Palestinian Arab citizens between the years 1949-72. She is currently leader of 'The Zionists', a gang of armed overworld mobsters who took over the Holy Land patch in 1948. Meir has already tacitly admitted that she "kept shhumm" about the Kremliners' campaign to rub out several million Jews in residence on Kremlin territory during the spring of 1949. Communication has since broken down, and the Kremlin has moved into open hostility with Meir. Reports of mob warfare have been received.

It is not common knowledge that Mahatma Ghandi's pacifist politics sprung from an exhaustion with violence in his own home, and that in later years he was to vent the day-to-day frustrations and stress of his professional life upon his unfortunate spouse. Neighbours have given credence to the once unthinkable rumour that the more staunchly Britain clung to the Indian Empire, the more frequently issued the crack of bullwhip against flesh from the Ghandi residence. His longstanding advocacy of Hindu-Muslim unity has also been thrown into disrepute by the recent disclosure that Ghandi refused to live next door to a Muslim and stubbornly forbade his daughter to marry one.

Walt Disney is the man behind illicit traffic in a new and highly dangerous form of narcotic. This drug is known to be claiming victims at an alarming rate among the young. It induces a state known as 'The Big Sleep'. Symptoms include distended pupils, blinking eyes, and an obsessive need to sit in darkened places eating popcorn. ECG tests on addicts have revealed that these symptoms are accompanied by depressed brain activity, the imagination being capable of forming only facile images akin to those in children's picture books. 

Caution: In 1966 Disney circulated extensive rumours that he was dead. The increased activities of the Disney consortium, however, indicate otherwise. He is currently reported to be in occupation of a large area of Southern Florida, possibly disguised as a small mouse with large black ears.
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Dear OZ.

One can almost hear the acne bursting forth with middle-aged gleam from Auberon Waugh's face as he proudly wrote: 'Private Eye is Andrex Widgery's young face as he proudly pretended to be Kleenex, Tampax pretending to be Durex...

The trouble is, Auberon, that as Widgery's analogy may be (and I don't think it's that bad) his point is perfectly valid: Private Eye assimilates society's more embarrassing discharges with the hidden assumption that to do so will ultimately cure them. Or cure something. You're too smart about what, so it doesn't matter, does it Auberon? Of course you prefer the pacific hazy hippies because of the latter's desire to change events (that's a serious criticism?) but rather because the disparate activist groups which you appallingly lump together as the 'revolutionaries' have the unmitigated gall to suggest that writing clever little lampoons ain't quite good enough. You can scream jokes at Maudling until you're blue in the face: he'll still be Home Secretary and his government's legislation will be just as repressive. Not that repressive legislation is ever going to bother you. You've got much idea about the quality of life on the Upper Clyde under Tory government or in Ghana under colonialist exploitation as has Elizabeth Taylor. Or Ted Heath.

Thirty years ago a Tory anarchist was a fun thing to be. Today, Auberon, we seem to have grown out of it. Thank Christ.

W. Goetrav,
Barnley, Yorks.

Dear OZ.

Why is everyone so glum, wallowing in nostalgia and masochistic defeatism, as if to distance themselves from the Partisan for chrissake, we're only been going for approximately a decade as a movement, which historically speaking is no time. Even considered as a minification of the spectacle of Bohemianism which has haunted Europe since the Romanticists, the Movement is but two centuries young which again is no time (where was Xanadu 200 a.d.?). I like OZ though I think it's perhaps got a little less adventure-some since the Magic Theatre days, (OZ 28 excepted of course). I like the mix, the picturing of articles and about half the adverts and have never found it seriously illegible. (Though what the hell Auberon Waugh doing here?).

Miscellaneous comments on last issue: I can't believe a substance with such a ridiculous name like Romilar is inevitable result of such a professional, clinical combination is simply to admit that OZ was not allowed into any prison so you can call that ban analitical. Explosive material?

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Your last issue was really far out, but if Richard Neville writes that article ("A hundred reasons why the underground is dead") just one more time, I will personally do him some physical injury.

I don't know what sign Richard is, but I have my suspicions. Happy birthday.

Love,
Elizabeth Windus,
Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey.

Dear OZ.

The extracts from Ed Sanders' book published in your last issue horrified me. Charlie Manson's indescribable atrocities certainly make 'good copy', and Robert Crumb's nauseating illustrations may well be motivated by high moral principles, but the inevitable result of such a professional, clinical combination is simply to undermine what I assume were your intentions—that of exposing and debating the banality and utter futility of violence.

It's all very well to print "The truth about violence is not, in reality, beautiful or dynamic. It is banal. It is mundane. It is committed by rather small minded people for petty reasons. Why create myths about it?" Great stuff—but to follow it up with a blow by blow, chop by chop and stab by stab account of the mutilation and murder of five human beings in glorious technicolour smacks of the same hypocrisy that you yourselves abhor in the News of the World and similar "straight" papers.

Are you really an 'alternative'? Is there really any difference between OZ (certainly the best British underground paper available) and Tit-Bits. Sometimes, I have my doubts.

Power to your elbows,
Noel Cee,
Waltham Mansions, Fulham, London S.W.3.

Dear OZ.

It is sad to see letters of such harsh criticism on your last issue (OZ 39). I often wonder if people think that 'OZ should cease publication', because of the poor standard of articles and "declination in its sense of fun, reality", etc etc, why do they not contribute some worthwhile articles with a sense of fun, and reality. I support Chris Dawson's plea of less talk and more action, in participating in a genuine effort of improvement and balance within the magazine.

I leave you critical 'fun lovers' out there with the thought—what would there be left if there were no OZ? I suggest these dissatisfied people subscribe to the "Telegraph": I piss myself laughing everytime I open it!

Jaydee Doublyou,
Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire.
Dear OZ,

Early in June of last year our son Kenneth went out to Morocco intending to travel, and come home at the end of August. His letters were very interesting and at the time of the trouble in Rabat he was travelling over. His last letter was wonderful, nothing of the bother until it was through the mountains, and knew we were into November (the letter was sent at the end of August) and Police came to tell us Kenneth had died, (as they thought then, November 13th). We had to let the British Consulate know immediately, if we wanted him brought home, and that the money would have to be sent almost immediately.

We knew we must have him home but were thrown into a panic, when they asked for £400 right away. We were helped by friends and relatives — some with gifts of money, others with loans. We were told it would take 7 to 10 days. It ended up by us waiting 4 weeks. Four weeks of agony, torture — wondering — all the time — all they could say was ‘natural causes’.

He must have been loved and respected by every one he met, by the many, many letters and cards we have received, many from people unknown to us. He was only 24 years old but in his young life he did many things that many people of 80 years will never do. He may not have lived the life we would have wanted for him, but he lived it, as he wanted and now we are glad we never ever stopped him.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs J. Petty,
4 Retford Road, Redhouse Estate,
Sunderland.

Dear OZ,

May I say that OZ is my light in a land of darkness, my only sight of the outside world.

Yours,
Simon Stitte,
The Vicarage School; Belchamp, St. Paul.

Dear Readers,

In an effort to encourage the ‘readership participation’ called for by J. Doubleyoun elsewhere on this page, we intend to increase our letters column in forthcoming issues. Please mark any correspondence intended for publication with the words ‘Editorial Material’ on some part of the envelope. And don’t forget that OZ has recently changed address and moved into the very belly of the beast at: 19, Gt. Newport Street, London, W.C.2. 01-836 8395

Note: We reserve the right to cut, chop, mutilate and edit any letter that we find offensive, boring, libellous or more than usually insulting.

It wasn’t until after everything was over, that we received official notification that he was found on November 10th, a mile and a half in the hills, from the village where he was staying, outside of Yangiers. He had gone out walking, very early on a very cold morning and collapsed from a fatal heart seizure due to the cold.

Yours faithfully,
Simon Stitte,
The Vicarage School; Belchamp, St. Paul.
Not counting children, there were fourteen people in the house. They were all in one room, sitting in a group and wondering what to do.

First there was Alexander, in whose name the house was rented. Though he was quick to disclaim any kind of leadership instinct, it was he who generated the momentum in the group, he who stayed on when others drifted away. The American couple: Buz and Victoria, Buz still waiting for the draft amnesty. Mike, the kid thrown out of his school for selling grass. The guy who'd blown in from Iran the previous week, and whose name no one had yet learnt. Brendan, from the Derry Creggan, whose front door had been busted in by the RUC and who kept talking about going back and joining the Provos, but who never actually got around to it. The three girls, Jenny, Chris and Pip, who'd come down from Manchester, and stayed. Robbie, the freak who'd discharged himself from hospital and never wanted to go back. The girl from Greece: Zetta. Karl and Lotte, from East Berlin.

The fourteenth was Charlie. Charlie was a bastard. Charlie had the pox. Charlie had jumped bail. Charlie wouldn't leave, wouldn't work, wouldn't pay rent, wouldn't take a hint. Charlie liked playing with children's genitals. Everyone had hated Charlie.

And now Charlie was dead.

He lay on the floor in a foetal position. He had been found like that, and no one had moved him. The others sat around him in a silent group, staring at his body and waiting for someone else to make some suggestion.

Alexander sat silently like the rest of them, the fists of both hands tightly clenched.

In the kitchen the gas-ring on the cooker was still burning. No one had turned it off. In the night, someone had lit the gas and stood over it, holding a steel knitting-needle in the flame. When the needle was glowing white-hot, that someone had walked into this room and driven it hard into Charlie's ear. It had penetrated several inches, and now only half of it protruded from the scarred outer membrane.

At first, Jenny had cried. It was her needle.

Now all were quiet, stunned into an outer calmness that concealed the true reactions inside.

Alexander felt that there was an unspoken horror at the murder, but one tempered with a relief. It was a solution to the problem of Charlie, a problem they had been unwilling to confront either individually or as a group.

Charlie had threatened the house, both practically and in spirit. They had known the police were looking for him, but that didn't matter so much. They just hadn't wanted the police at the house, that was all.

More significantly, Charlie's presence had disrupted the idea. No one had ever enunciated it in so many words, but the house was an attempt to live without the stresses of
the outside city. If people wanted to live at the house, then OK. If they wanted to leave, then OK. People did what they wanted, contributed what they could to the running of the house. When Charlie had arrived, he had been as welcome as anyone else might have been. But when one day Buz had discovered him with Pip’s three-year-old daughter, Charlie was no longer wanted at the house.

But no one—least of all Alexander—wanted to disrupt the idea by kicking him out.

Now Alexander stared down at his hands, saw how his knuckles whitened with the tight clenching of the fists.

"... What I can’t understand," Buz suddenly said, "is how the needle was held. It must have been almost red-hot where it was gripped."

They stared at the few inches of grey metal, saw the marks where the metal had cooled.

"So what do we do?"

"We ought to call the police."

"No..."

No one in particular said this; they all felt it. To call the police was a breach of the idea. The house did not want the police.

"We could bury him in the garden."

"Wait until night, then we could put him in the road."

"Do you know where he comes from?"

"Couldn’t we find another house? We could leave him here."

"They’d trace us. We’ve got to hide him."

Then Alexander realized: whoever had actually driven the needle into Charlie’s head, everyone in the house was a party to the murder. If not in fact, then certainly in spirit.

"It was one of us who did it."

"I was asleep."

"So was I."

"We all were."

"No.” Alexander, spoke, opening his left hand and staring at the palm. His right hand was still clenched. “No, one of us was awake.”

"Look, this is out of all proportion. Charlie was a bastard. A filthy fucking bastard. I wanted him dead.”

"Right."

"I’m glad too."

Victoria stood up, and walked towards the door.

"Where are you going?"

"I’m going to call the fuzz."

"You do that,” Alexander said, “and that’s the end of everything. They’ll come in here and they’ll blow everything wide open. It’ll be just an excuse to start in on every commune in London. Look what the press would do. Drug-crazed hippies... right? Manson rides again... right? You know how much shit we’ve got stashed away here? How much acid? They’ll go through this place and if they don’t find anything they’ll plant it."

"So we throw away what we’ve got."

“It isn’t the grass that matters. It’s the house... the whole idea of our living here. That’s the most important thing. We’ve got it good here, and we’re not going to have it broken up.”

Victoria looked at him coldly, then stared deliberately at Charlie’s corpse.

"Yeah... we’ve got it good here." o

She walked out of the room, and a moment later they heard her pick up the phone in the hall.

"You going to stop her?"

They were all staring at Alexander.

He said nothing for a moment, and then lifted up his right arm. His fist was still clenched, and for a moment he sat in a parody of the black-power salute. Then, painfully, he opened his fingers and displayed the palm of his hand. The burn-scar was still fresh, a read welt running straight across his fingers and palm.

"No,” he said, “I’m not going to stop her. It’s what she wants to do.”
THE 1ST ARME

DAY ABEL DECIDED TO MAKE AN OFFERING TO GOD, BUT HIS HEART WAS NOT PLEASING TO GOD.

FEELING I SHOULD SACRIFICE A LAMB FROM MY FLOCK TO HIM, WELL I CAN OFFER HIM SOME OF MY FRUIT.

LOOKING INTO THEIR HEARTS, GOD COMMENDS ABEL BUT NO, CAIN.

MY BROTHER IS THE FAVOURED ONE OF GOD.

WHY ARE YOU ANGRY, CAIN? IF YOU DO WELL, SHALL YOU NOT BE ACCEPTED?

IT'S NOT BECAUSE I'M NOT A GOOD LAD, AAH CAIN. MY BROTHER IS THE FAVOURED ONE OF GOD.

CAIN SLINKS AWAY.
They came to a field and suddenly Cain attacked and killed Abel.

Come into the field with me. I must see you alone.

Now, let us go at once.

You are God’s favourite for that I hate you.

Where’s Abel, your brother?

Am I my brother’s keeper?

So Cain went out from the Lord... but George went in to the Oz, for his cheque-tee-tee.

The End.
"If I should die, think only this of me,
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is forever England.
There shall be In that rich earth a richer
dust concealed..."

'The Soldier'
Rupert Brook
(1887 - 1915)

"Well,
I don't wanna be a soldier,
Mama, I don't wanna die,
Oh no,
Oh no;
Oh no..."

'Imagine'
John Lennon
(b. 1940)

To the glorious memory of our men who fell in the Great War. Their name liveth for evermore.

2nd-Lieut.
R. ANDREWS
Killed at Beaumont
Hamel, 15.11.16.

Private
A. W. BRAGG
Missing at Aubers
Ridge, 9.5.15.

Sergeant
W. E. HAWKINS
Killed at Neuve
Chapelle, 7.11.16.

Corporal
H. L. HALE
Died from influenza
whilst on leave, 3.1.18.

2nd Lieut.
D. V. DUREY
Killed in action at
Rouen, 29.8.17.

Rifleman
F. E. FARFITT
Killed at Neuve
Eglise, Belg, 4.5.19.

Driver
E. A. J. WYNNE
Killed at Le Cateau
near Cambrai, 2.8.18.

Private
C. T. DURLING
Killed in action in Palestine, 14.3.18

1st Air Mechnc.
F. J. MOORCRAFT
Killed in action in France, 3.8.17.

Private
G. C. HINDE
Killed at Chingford
Aerodrome, 13.6.17.

2nd Lieut.
D. E. STEPHENS
Fell at his gun at
Tilley Wood, 7.3.18.

Sergeant
W. G. GENAWAY
Killed near Passchendaele, Belg, 9.5.17.

Capt.
L. D. HEAD
Killed in action at
Arras, 9.4.17.

K. STUART
Killed at Chingford
Aerodrome, 13.6.17.

Rifleman
G. C. HINDE
Killed at Ypres, 19.12.15.

2nd Lieut.
A. KING
Killed at the taking
of High Wood, 24.17.

Sergeant
A. W. RENNICK
Killed in action at Arras, 9.4.17.

Lance-Corporal
G. E. DANIEL
Killed in action on
Western Front, 1.2.18.

Grenadier
L. MOORE
Wounded & Missing
in Somme, 29.8.1916
5,6,7 May

Grateful Dead
New Riders of the Purple Sage
Pacific Gas and Electric
Country Joe
Donovan
Moving Being
Ken Campbell Roadshow
Low Moan Spectacular
Welfare State
Joe's Lights

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PLANET OF THE APES
ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

Michael Allaby

crimes are being committed against mankind, against the planet itself, there can be little doubt about the identity of the criminal. We live in a civilisation that is based on the fastest possible consumption of energy and materials. We measure our prosperity in terms of it. Yet up to now we have been innocent. It is only within the last few years that we have begun to realise that we live on a planet whose resources must be shared. We are only partially aware of the damage we may be inflicting on the global environment that sustains us.

"Pink" disease sometimes causes skin discolouration and it produces a general weakening of the body, headaches, giddiness and aching limbs. Harmless in itself, if the victim takes an infection this could be very serious. It is caused by mercury poisoning and it has been increasing in South-East Wales since autumn 1969.

On the 14th April, 1970, people living close to one section of the Manchester Ship Canal complained to the police about a smell of gas. At about 7.15 in the morning, policemen were calling at houses to check the complaints and one policeman was standing on the canal bank. A mist hung over the water and through it he could see a small boat in mid-stream. The boat seemed to be in trouble and was drifting aimlessly. There was a group of men in the boat. One of them looked as though he was unconscious. As he watched, the policeman saw another man climb into a boat further along the bank and row out, apparently to check the complaints and one policeman was standing on the canal bank. A mist hung over the water and through it he could see a small boat in mid-stream. The boat seemed to be in trouble and was drifting aimlessly. There was a group of men in the boat. One of them looked as though he was unconscious. As he watched, the policeman saw another man climb into a boat further along the bank and row out, apparently to help. The man's name was Bernard Carroll. He was 24 and he worked as a ferryman. He never reached the men he set out to help. When he was within 20 or 30 yards of them the water burst into flames which engulfed both boats and which spread along the Canal surface in both directions. Five men survived and three were never found. Bernard Carroll's body was recovered. The inquest said he died from mercury poisoning and it has been increasing in South-East Wales since autumn 1969.

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In August, 1968, 12 people from...
There are certain areas where the incidence of cancer and multiple sclerosis are higher than elsewhere. Prof. Henry Warren of the University of British Columbia, in an article published in February, 1972, in the Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners, suggests that high levels of heavy metals, such as lead, molybdenum and zinc, found in vegetables grown in these areas, might be the cause. These high amounts are found in traditional mining areas, like parts of Devon and North Wales, but also in Liverpool and Birmingham.

If it is a crime to restrict the reasonable freedom of action of others, we are all criminals, for not only do we suffer now as a result of our actions, but we are restricting the freedom of choice and action of all those who come after us.

We have thought of nature as hostile or as benificent, depending on our outlook. Both are wrong. Nature is simply implacable. We have thought of nature as hostile or as beneficent, depending on our outlook. Both are wrong. Nature is simply implacable.

Michael Allaby
With media sharpshooting at our stalwart boys in blue running at an unprecedented high, and public respect for the police tottering, OZ flicked carelessly through a few back issues of the Guardian and turned up the following snippets: these are the unlucky ones. The ones that got caught.

Our thanks are due to the Guardian's research library.

23/7/71: Detective-Sergeant Philip Blanchard and Detective-Constable Raymond Goodhead were convicted of uttering a forged hotel bill at Elyt, Wales, and obtaining cash by deception. On appeal their fines were reduced from £75 to £25 each, and prison sentences of three months were upheld.

2/2/71: Scotland Yard was reported to be investigating allegations that a 19 year old corporal escape, Stephen McCarthy, died after two policemen forced his arm behind his back, held him by the hair, and 'rammed his head into a bus stop'. It was also alleged that members of the Islington police force subsequently removed Stephen from hospital, against medical advice, and made him sign a statement that his injuries were caused when he 'fell against the bus stop'. Stephen died on January 26, 1971.

7/2/71: A Scotland Yard Detectiive-Constable, Duncan Bayliss, was cleared of allegations that he planted drugs on a Jamaican to secure conviction. The Jamaican, 52 year old Arnold Francis, had been acquitted by a sessions jury of possession of amphetamines and cannabis; and Mr Francis then brought an action for malicious prosecution against Detective-Constable Bayliss. After the jury returned a not guilty verdict on Bayliss, Mr Justice Talbot thanked them for their services in a difficult and anxious case.

19/2/71: The inquest jury on Stephen McCarthy returned a verdict of 'death by natural causes'. Relates of Stephen began shouting 'You killed him', 'murderers', 'pigs', and 'This is a police state' at police in the inquest courtroom. More police were called in to deal with them.

26/4/71: A jury at North-east London sessions called for an independent inquiry into police procedure for detaining alleged offenders. After Stephen Goff (17) was acquitted of three charges of assault on police at Romford police station. Judge Murray Buttrose told Goff: 'Your behaviour at the police station is nothing but a squalid nuisance. Police officers should not have their time taken up by little boys like you who resent authority'.

21/7/71: Scotland Yard ordered an 'immediate investigation' into allegations of corruption made against senior drugs squad officer Detective Chief Inspector Victor Keleher.

It was claimed that Keleher was corruptly involved in a conspiracy to acquire a quantity of imported cannabis.

6/7/71: The Omurbegman dropped his investigation into the death of Stephen McCarthy, stating: 'The Parliamentary Commissioner Act precludes me in general from conducting an investigation into any action in respect of which the person aggrieved has or had a remedy by way of legal proceedings'. John Grant, Labour MP for Islington East, said that he was 'extremely disappointed with the Commissioners decision'.

7/10/71: Detective-Inspector Ronald Griffiths was fined £250 at Shropshire Assizes for trafflfing £88 in hash from Lompton Police Station. The £88 had originally been confiscated from burglar.

16/11/71: Malachkey James Naughton, a 32 year old labourer, was awarded £87 damages against two policemen and the Metropolitan Police Commissioner in the High Court. Mr Naughton alleged assault, false imprisonment, and malicious prosecution after a struggle with two policemen. In the next two trials, the PCs had accused Mr Naughton of trying to steal a car. Mr Justice Nilmo pointed out that 'it was common ground that Naughton could not drive'.

17/11/71: Jack Cunningham, Labour MP for Whitehaven, announced that an investigation was being carried out by Cumberland police into allegations of police ill-treatment of strike pickets at S. Brian Ltd., Whitehaven. Two plain clothes police were infiltrated into the pickets, and allegations were made against these two men.

24/11/71: Former police inspector Geoffrey Ellerker and police Sergeant Kenneth Kitching were sent to prison for 18 years and 27 months respectively at Leeds Assizes on various charges of assaulting Nigerian David Oluwale. Oluwale was found dead in the River Aire at Leeds in the spring of 1969. Charges of manslaughter against both Ellerker and Kitching had been dismissed by the jury under direction from Mr Justice Hitchcliffe. Mr Hitchcliffe commented before passing sentence: 'The verdict of the jury will add fuel to the fire of those who spend most of their time sneering at police officers and making brash criticism of police officers'.

2/12/71: Reginald Maudling, Home Secretary, commented in reply to a request by James Cillaghm that an independent element be introduced into the procedure for examining complaints against the police. 'It's too lolly easy to complain against the police. If he (the complainant) scores, he gains, and if he loses, he loses nothing'.

7/12/71: Maudling ordered a 'top level' investigation into Leeds City Police, following the Ellerker and Kitching convictions. Over the past two years complaints have led to the conviction of 12 Leeds police.

8/12/71: Five Flying Squad detectives faced 14 charges at Greenwhich, ranging from conspiracy to blackmail, Sgt Peter Holness, Sgt. Frank Marshall, and Sgt. David Norris were accused of attempting to obtain from Mr Philip Saltz £200 as an inducement for allowing favour to him in relation to a drugs charge.

18/12/71: Mr Stanley Mayne, chief-commissioner of ILEA's Further and Higher Education sub-committee complained that, following the peaceful delivery of a petition by 14 students to him, the police had requested him for the names of the 14 students involved. Mr. Mayne, told the police 'I've no and take a jump at themselves', commented later: 'I think this is scandalous. One wonders whether the police are constructing a blacklist. No one would call this a Police State, but such developments are thoroughly disturbing'.

7/1/72: Local police prevented the Coventry community relations officer, Mr Paul Stephenson, from seeing a number of West Indian youths arrested during the Christmas period. A police officer told Mr Stephenson that he could not see youths because 'he (Mr Stephenson) was not being helpful'.

26/2/72: A formal complaint was lodged in Kirkby, Lancashire, alleging that a 14 year old Paul Barton was seized from outside his house by police officers, frogmarched 300 yards to the scene of a burgled shop, hit several times, pushed into the already broken shop window so that it cracked again, taken into a police van, hit several times over the head, and taken to the police station. He was later acquitted of the burglary.
WHEN THERE JUST AIN'T NO CHOICE

by MIKE UNSTED

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OF HEALTH AND
SOCIAL SECURITY
OPEN 10 AM
TO 4 PM

I AIN'T GOT NO CASH

WHAT ABOUT
THE GIRO FOR
SEVEN POUNDS
WE SENT YOU

LOOK! ME
RENTS SEVEN QUID
IT'S GONE AIN'T IT?

THEN YOU'LL
JUST HAVE TO GET
WORKING WON'T YOU. HERE'S THE
TELEPHONE NUMBER
OF THE FIRM YOU
CAN CALL

I'LL FUCKIN' REVERSE
THE CHARGES. I TOLD
YOU I'VE SPENT EV'RY
BLEEDIN' PENNY
YOU SENT ME

THEN YOU OUGHT
TO HAVE PUT SOME
BY. WE CAN PROSECUTE YOU

SAY THAT AGAIN
I said we can prosecute you under section 30. Failure to maintain!

Stop. I'll call the p...
Conspiracies, as we all know, are hatched in whispers. Andrew Sinclair investigates the clandestine mutterings of the last two hundred years...

Oppression makes the difference between brigands and guerillas, just as occupation makes the difference between secret societies and national heroes. Small political groups dedicated to the overthrow of the current political system have existed in most societies. Without alien or minority rule, however, these groups rarely achieve the conditions to take over the government through subversion, infiltration, rebellion or coup d'état.

Irish secret societies were similar to other nationalist secret groups of the period. They began by pressing for constitutional reform within English law; they ended by taking revolutionary action against the British army. They splintered apart into squabbling groups during the negotiations with England and after independence was won. (The Sinn Fein leader, de Balera, refused to recognize the treaty with England for many years, though he later became Prime Minister of Ireland.) They learned through many bitter failures the lessons of security, and learned them so successfully that the role of the revived I.R.B. in the Easter Rising was not recognised for many years. And they succeeded in their long-term object — what Arthur Griffith defined as "making England take one hand away from Ireland's throat and the other out of Ireland's pocket."

The Irish secret societies, like the continental nationalist societies, had middle-class, educated leaders who capitalized on a tradition of agrarian lawlessness. But there was one important respect in which they did not follow the continental pattern: they never succeeded in influencing the city mob, which was usually hostile to them, if not in sympathy with the English. The French revolutionaries were almost exclusively middle-class intellectuals who capitalized on popular outbursts, many of which originated in the crowded slums of capital cities.

It was the French Revolution that set the pattern of the urban revolts. In the capital of France, conspirators plotted, rose to power, and were overthrown; as Paris went, so went the nation. The French revolutions before the time of Bonaparte proved that a small and determined body of men, such as the Jacobins, could seize power and hold on to it briefly by using their agents and armies to put down opposition at home and abroad. The so-called "Conspiracy of Equals", Francois Babeuf's failed rising on behalf of the sans culottes in 1796, ushered in the age of the professional revolutionary — of men like Filippo Buonarroti (1761-1837) and Auguste Blanqui (1805-1881). These men, in love with the revolution, its preparation, and its ritual, made the small secret society an instrument of nationalism.

Though its ritual was often ludicrous, the nationalist secret society was probably the most important agent of political change in the early 19th century; its effectiveness was unquestionable in times of disorder. The most famous of the secret societies of that time the Carbonari, had a Masonic ritual that bypassed ridicule and approached incredulity. They helped to win constitutions for Spain and some of the Italian states and independence for Greece, yet they never attracted popular support. They did, however, set a successful pattern of conspiracy which was widely imitated. For in the revolutions of 1830, when mass support was forthcoming for risings in Paris, Belgium, Poland, Spain, and various parts of Germany, Italy and Switzerland, the secret societies were no longer isolated groups of conspirators. Those who plotted to win concessions for the middle classes found themselves, almost willy-nilly, the leaders of nationalistic agitation. They became the leaders of the people, particularly where large areas speaking one language were split up into a series of petty principalities, as in Germany and Italy, or where many different language groups were forced together in an uneasy union, as in the Austro-Hungarian Empire. The result of the revolutions of 1830 was the creation of one new European nation, Belgium, and of several liberal constitutions on the continent of Europe. Perhaps their most significant after effect was to split the moderates in certain countries, such as France, from the radicals. Once the middle class of a principality, a nation, or an empire, had won a share in the legislative power, it showed as much zeal in suppressing radical secret societies as any aristocratic regime.

The new leaders of the middle classes came from the constitutional and cultural clubs. Various political clubs rose briefly to power in 1848; but religious divisions, allied with the irrational hatreds of nationalism, brought them into conflict and dissipated their
success. Teutonic peoples and Slavs could no more agree than Irish Catholics and Orangemen; the result was that both the Austro-Hungarian Empire and British control of Ireland were able to survive into the 20th century. The early 19th century was the period of the revolutionary middle class, which often had to go underground and form secret societies to win concessions from aristocratic regimes and to gain representation in parliament. But after 1848, the nationalist secret society in Europe changed its nature. Once the wealthier middle classes were accepted within the framework of aristocratic European government, the secret society became a focus of petty bourgeois or proletarian discontent. Thus conspirators like Blanqui, who spent most of his life plotting or in prison, eventually succeeded in winning the mass support of the Paris workers. Blanqui's League of the Just, and the League of Outlaws (a secret society of German workingmen in Paris), were the forerunners of the Communist League of Marx and Engels, which dropped the ritual paraphernalia of the older brotherhoods — what Marx described as "superstitious authoritarianism".

In some respects, the political secret society society after 1848 was more international than national. Marx and Engels, the German-born authors of the Communist Manifesto, preached a class war across national frontiers, though every Communist insurrection was actually carried out within the framework of a single nation. The history of the Bolshevik movement, indeed, is a history of Russian conspirators, who imitated the Blanquists in their small, close-knit band of trained revolutionaries, the Carbonari in their appeal to officers in the armed forces, the Irish rebels in their exploitation of agrarian disaffection, and the Paris Communes in their use of the urban mob. The Bolsheviki were the most successful national secret society of all time, despite their claim to represent the working classes everywhere. The Communist Revolution failed to spread after the Bolshevik success in Russia only because the Bolsheviki were Russians before they were internationalists. The middle-class conspirators of 1848 had given up international solidarity for national squabbling; the Bolsheviki gave up international revolution for national strength.

The theory of conspiracy, as the American historian Richard Hofstadter has pointed out, lies at the grass roots of democratic society. The people must always search out villains, real or mythical, to explain their ills, for democracy, by its very nature, can hardly oppress. Conspiracies may be attributed to any secret group, to bankers, armaments manufacturers, Jews, Catholics, Masons, heretics, anarchists or Communists. Once the group is named, it is believed to have power. When a real conspiracy against the government is named and feared by government supporters, it will win the support of those who regard the government itself as a conspiracy against the people. But it must prove its power by committing acts of terrorism or martyrdom if it is to gain the publicity necessary for segments of the people to accept its leadership in future insurrection. (The success of the Bolsheviki, for example, was due to their acceptance by the workers of Moscow and Petrograd after their exploits in the revolution of 1905.) If its insurrection is successful, the revolutionary secret society becomes the government. Only the anarchists, who declare all governments to be secret conspiracies against the people, are consistent in remaining a revolutionary secret society, permanently out of power; for they cannot, by their own declarations, form any national government whatsoever.

The political secret societies of the 20th century in Europe have fed more on hatred and dreams of conquest than on real oppression. In Asia, the Middle East and Africa, nationalist societies have run through the 19th century European pattern of a middle-class revolt against imperialism, backed by mass popular support; but in Europe theories of persecution and racism have muddied their drives. The Italian Fascists, party of a secret paramilitary conspiracy under Mussolini before they became the rulers of Italy and the agents of Italian imperialism, preached a virulent nationalism, that proved attractive to the Italian masses. The Nazis emulated their example, they appealed as an open nationalist group to the dark springs of anti-Semitism and Aryan superiority. Though their leaders were known, their conspiracy to take over the state remained secret.

The perfect example of a nationalist secret society taking over the reins of government by pacific means and putting its program into action is supplies by the Afrikaner-Broederbond. This society grew up among Afrikaners of Dutch descent after they had lost their independence in the Anglo-Boer War (1899-1902), and had become part of a united South Africa. They were, numerically, a minority of the white population; but they believed that they might be a majority in the future. The Broederbond was founded in 1918 as an Afrikaans cultural society; by 1934 it had become a nationalist splinter group within the ruling elite. It aimed to break away from the English-speaking South Africans, and the Commonwealth. Its declared solution for South Africa's ills was "that the Afrikaner-Broederbond should rule South Africa." And eventually it did so, when Dr. Malan (a founder member of the Broederbond) became Prime Minister of South Africa in 1948, and put his fellow Bond members into the highest offices of state. The history of South Africa is of a happy Bond of brothers who seem to forget the rest of their brethren, black and white, with vigilant blindness. Their policy is even now conjuring up in the Bantustans secret political societies which feed and grow on racism and oppression.

Wherever any minority rules a majority of another race or creed, a nationalistic secret society representing that majority plots to gain power. Its means are legal or illegal, depending on the chances of revolution. Thus in 1964 the Negroes in Zanzibar succeeded in ousting their Arab rulers in a nationalist and racist revolt by the majority, sparked off by a secret society trained in revolutionary techniques; but groups with as small a hope of success as the Scottish or Welsh nationalists have done little more than put candidates forward at elections. Whenever a minority fears the oppression of a majority within a given country, it also may plot for independence through secession or partition; both the Kurds of Iraq and the Nagas of India, for example, are led by nationalist secret societies in their respective fights for independence.

There is no limit on the demands of any group for self-rule, once it considers itself to be a nation. (The Bengalis struggle in East Pakistan provides a perfect example.) And any group can be persuaded that it is a nation, separate and indivisible, by the propaganda of a small political society prepared to lead it to independence. In a world split into rival areas of influence — American, Russian and Chinese, and to a lesser extent, British and French, would-be political conspirators have little difficulty in obtaining supplies of money and arms from foreign powers. Mass disaffection in a particular area or group can be exploited by trained agitators to produce a revolt, and to enable them to seize power. Nationalism is still the cry that rallies the mass of the people to the side of the plotters; until its fires are spent, the political secret society will remain a major instrument of change.
This text is used by the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs to train so-called law enforcement officers in methods of surveillance. Save and study it.

DEFINITION
Surveillance is the secretive and continuous watching of persons, vehicles, places or objects to obtain information concerning the activities and identities of individuals.

NEEDED QUALITIES
A. Ordinary appearance — Any outstanding physical characteristics may attract the subject's attention.
B. Ability to act natural under all circumstances.
C. Alertness.
D. Resourcefulness.
E. Good powers of observation and memory.
F. Patience and endurance.

SURVEILLANCE METHODS
A. One-man foot surveillance.
1. Surveillance is extremely difficult for one man and should be avoided if possible.
2. The subject must be kept in view at all times.
3. One-man surveillance will usually be very close and somewhat dependent on pedestrian traffic and physical characteristics of the area.
4. When walking on the opposite side of a street, the officer should keep almost abreast of the subject.
5. It is necessary at all times to be close enough to immediately observe the subject if he enters buildings, turns corners or similar sudden moves.

B. Two-man surveillance.
1. The use of two officers affords greater security against detection and reduces the risk of losing the subject.
2. On streets crowded with pedestrian and vehicular traffic, both surveillants should normally remain on the same side of the street as the subject.
   a. The first officer trailing the subject fairly closely.
   b. The second officer trailing the first agent some distance behind.
3. On less crowded streets, one officer should normally walk on the opposite side of the street nearly abreast of the subject.

C. Three-man surveillance (ABC) method.
1. The use of three officers reduces still further the risk of losing subject and, under ordinary conditions, affords still greater security against detection.
2. The three-man method permits a greater variation in the position of...
of the officers and also permits an officer who suspects he has been
spotted by the subject to drop out.
3. Use of the ABC method under normal traffic conditions.
   a. The "A" officer keeps a reasonable distance behind the subject.
   b. The "B" officer follows "A" and concentrates on keeping "A" in
      view.
   c. The "C" officer walks on the subject.
   d. The "B" officer is also responsible for detecting any confederate
      of the subject being utilized to detect surveillance.
4. Use of the ABC method on streets with little or no traffic.
   a. Two officers may be on the opposite side of the street or,
   b. One officer may be in front of the subject.
5. Use of the ABC method on very crowded streets.
   a. All three officers should generally be on the same side of the
      street.
   b. The leading officer should follow very close to the subject to
      observe his actions at intersections or if he enters buildings.
6. As in the two-man method, the officers should frequently alter
   their positions relative to the subject.

D. Progressive or "leap frog" method of surveillance.
1. Use of this method is not too common because of the time
   involved and the poor chances of obtaining good results.
2. It involves the observation of the route, with the officer station­
ing himself at a fixed point until the subject disappears from view.
3. If the subject follows the same route each day, his destination can
   be determined without following him, if the officer stations himself
   each day at the spot where the subject disappeared the previous day.
4. Disadvantages.
   a. No assurance that subject will follow same route each day.
   b. No assurance that subject will go to the same destination each
      day.
5. This method may be of value in locating hideouts or meeting
   places when the risk of actually trailing the subject is too great.

E. Combined foot-auto surveillance.
1. This method involves surveillance on foot by one, two or three
   officers, and additional surveillance at the same time by one or two
   officers in an automobile.
2. By use of this method, officers will always be assured of transporta­
tion if the subject should board a bus, streetcar or taxicab.
3. Several officers can also be carried in the car, and the officers on
   foot can be frequently changed to avoid compromise.
4. Caution must be exercised in the operation of the automobile as a
   slow moving car may become conspicuous.

FOOT SURVEILLANCE PROBLEMS
A. Subject enters building.
1. Ordinarily, at least one officer should follow the subject unless
   the building is of such a type that the entry would expose the officer.
   (Private home, small shop, etc.)
2. In the case of large public buildings with many exits, all officers
   should follow the subject into the building.
3. In some buildings where the subject might be lost easily, it may
   be advisable for one officer to remain in the lobby or at a door to
   spot the subject as he leaves the building.
B. Subject enters an elevator.
1. If the subject is the lone passenger and has reason to suspect
   surveillance, it may be best not to accompany him into the elevator,
   but rather to watch the indicator for the floor stop, and then proceed
   to that floor to try to pick up the subject's route.
2. In other cases, one or two officers may accompany the subject,
   wait for him to announce his floor, and then ask for a higher or
   lower floor and use the stairs to get to the subject's floor and attempt
   to pick up his trail.
3. At all times, one officer should be left in the lobby since the
   subject may be using the elevator in an attempt to elude surveillance.
C. Subject enters restaurant.
1. At least one officer should enter behind the subject, order
   approximately the same amount of food and be alert to not any
   contacts made by the subject.
2. If possible, the officer should pay his check before the subject does
   so that he can be ready to leave with him.
3. In some cases, it may be desirable for the officer to leave shortly
   before the subject and wait for him outside.
H. Subject meets a contact.
1. A complete detailed description of the contact should be noted,
   together with time and place of the meeting.
2. If possible, the contact should be photographed.
3. If practical, attempts should be made to overhear the conversation.
4. The subject's attitude toward the contact should be noted.
I. Subject registers at a hotel.
1. The subject's room number may be obtained from the manager,
   house detective, or room clerk.
2. If the hotel management is cooperative, it may be possible to
   procure a room near the subject's which can be used as a base for
   surveillance.
3. All outgoing telephone calls made by the subject will normally be
   recorded by the hotel's switchboard operator and such records should
   be examined for leads.
4. Abandoned trash should not be overlooked; however, under no
   circumstances can trespass be made to retrieve it.
J. Officers lose subject.
1. The officer in charge should be immediately notified.
2. Known hangouts or addresses frequented by the subject should be
   placed under observation immediately in an effort to find him.
3. It is generally advisable to station an officer in the area where the
   subject was last seen, as he may reappear there after a short time.
4. Phone calls may be made to home or places frequented by the
   subject under a pretext and will often yield information of the
   subject's whereabouts.
K. Subject discovers officer.
1. If an officer is recognized by the subject as a surveillance agent, he
   should normally drop out and be replaced by another officer.
2. In some cases where concealment of any investigative activity is
   paramount, surveillance should be stopped as soon as the subject is
   known to suspect surveillance.
L. Decoys
1. A clever subject who has discovered that he is under surveillance may not reveal his discovery to his surveillants, but may attempt to "shake" them from his trail by means of false contacts or decoys.
2. For example, a subject may leave a brief case or package full of worthless papers or materials with a contact and thus cause unwary officers to redirect or discontinue their surveillance, thus leaving him free to make his real contacts unobserved.

M. Traps.
1. A subject may attempt to lure an officer into a trap.
2. A thorough knowledge of the locality, coupled with good judgment and the alertness to realize that trailing becomes suspiciously easy, is good defence against traps.

DETECTION OF FOOT SURVEILLANCE
A. A subject who is suspicious of being under surveillance may resort to trickery in order to verify his suspicions.
B. When a subject resorts to such trickery, it is good policy to change officers, for the subject may have spotted one or more of his followers.

C. Common methods used by suspects to test for trailing:
1. Stopping abruptly and looking at people in the rear.
2. Casually looking around.
3. Boarding busses and street cars and alighting just before they start.
4. Reversing course and retracing steps.
5. Circling the block in a taxi.
6. Stopping abruptly after turning a corner.
8. Watching reflections in shop windows.
9. Entering a building and leaving immediately via another exit.
10. Dropping a piece of paper to see if anyone retrieves it.
11. Stopping to tie shoestring, meanwhile looking around for surveillants.
12. Arranging with a friend in a shop, tavern, or other places to watch for surveillants.

ELUDING FOOT SURVEILLANCE
A. Common methods used by cunning subjects.
1. Jumping off a bus, streetcar or subway just as the doors are about to close.
2. Losing oneself in crowds.
3. Entering theatres and leaving immediately through an exit.
4. Pointing out one's surveillant to a policeman, who will generally require the officer to explain his actions.
5. Using decoys.
7. Taking the last taxi at a stand.
8. Changing clothing.

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"The same men and power structure who victimize women are engaged in the act of raping Vietnam, raping Black people, and the very earth we live upon. Susan Griffin examines the mythology of rape as a masculine instrument of cultural and political repression.

Like most women, I have never been free of the fear of rape. From a very early age, I have thought of rape as part of my environment — something to be feared and prayed against like fire or lightning. I never asked why men raped; I simply thought it one of the many mysteries of human nature.

I was, however, curious enough about the violent side of humanity to read every crime magazine I was able to ferret away from my grandfather. Each issue featured at least one "sex crime," with pictures of a victim, usually in a pearl necklace, and of the ditch or the orchard where her body was found. I was never certain why the victims were always women, nor what the motives of the murderer were, but I did guess that the world was not a safe place for women. I observed that my grandmother was meticulous about locks, and quick to draw the shades before anyone removed so much as a shoe. I sensed that danger lurked outside.

At the age of eight, my suspicions were confirmed. My grandmother took me to the back of the house where the men wouldn’t hear, and told me that strange men wanted to do harm to little girls. I learned not to walk on dark streets, not to talk to strangers, or get into strange cars, to lock doors, and to be modest. She never explained why a man would want to harm a little girl, and I never asked.

If I thought for a while that my grandmother’s fears were imaginary, the illusion was brief. That year, on the way home from school, a schoolmate a few years older than I tried to rape me. Later, in an obscure aisle of the local library (while I was reading Freddy the Pig) I turned to discover a man exposing himself. Then, the friendly man around the corner was arrested for child molesting.

My initiation to sexuality was typical. Every woman has similar stories to tell — the first man who attacked her may have been a neighbour, a family friend, an uncle, her doctor, or perhaps her own father. And women who grow up in New York City always have tales about the subway.

But though rape and the fear of rape are a daily part of every woman’s consciousness, the subject is so rarely discussed by that unofficial staff of male intellectuals (who write books which study seemingly every other form of male activity) that one begins to suspect a conspiracy of silence. And indeed, the obscurity of rape in print exists in marked contrast to the frequency of rape in reality, for forcible rape is the most frequently committed violent crime in America today. The Federal Bureau of Investigation classes three crimes as violent: murder, aggravated assault and forcible rape. In 1968, 31,060
Sex and Temperament, Margaret Mead describes a society that law should not be considered proof that rape is not in fact sexuality is more urgent than women's. And it is the nature does not share our views. The Arapesh do not "... Have any companion myth about the nature of female sexuality is that all women secretly want to be raped. Lurking beneath her male expects passivity from the female. Conveniently, the following description of a stag movie, written by Brenda Starr in Los Angeles' underground paper, Everywoman, typifies this male fantasy. The movie 'showed a woman in her underclothes reading on her bed. She is interrupted by a rapist with a knife. He immediately wins her over with his charm and they get busy sucking and fucking.'

Still, the male psyche persists in believing that, protestations and struggles to the contrary, deep inside her mysterious feminine soul, the female victim has wished for her own fate. A young woman who was raped by her husband revealed the truth days after the incident the man returned to her home, pounded on the door and screamed to her, "Jane, Jane. You loved it. You know you loved it."

The theory that women like being raped extends itself by deduction into the proposition that most or much of rape is provoked by the victim. But this too is only myth. Though provocation, considered per mitigating factor in a court of law, may consist of only "a gesture", according to the Federal Commission on Crimes of Violence, only 4 percent of reported rapes involved any precipitative behaviour by the woman.

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And in the spectrum of male behaviour, rape, the perfect combination of sex and violence, is the penultimate act. Erotic pleasure cannot be separated from culture, and in our culture male eroticism is wedded to power. Not only should a man be taller and stronger than a female in the perfect love-match, but he must also demonstrate his superior strength in gestures of dominance which are perceived as amorous. Though the law attempts to make a clear division between rape and sexual intercourse, in fact the courts find it difficult to distinguish between a case where the decision to copulate was mutual and one where a man forced himself upon his partner.

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And if the professional rapist is to be separated from the average dominant heterosexual, it may be mainly a quantitative difference. For the existence of rape as an index to masculinity is not entirely metaphorical. Through this measure of masculinity seems to be more publicly exhibited among "bad boys" or aging bikers who practice sexual initiation through group rape, in fact, "good boys" engage in the same rites to prove their manhood. In Stockton, a small town in California which epitomizes silent majority America, a bachelor party was given last summer for a young man about to be married. A woman was hired to dance "topless" for the amusement of the guests. At the high point of the evening the bridegroom-to-be dragged the woman into a bedroom. No move was made by any of his companions to stop what was clearly going to be an attempted rape. Far from it, as the woman described, "I tried to keep him away - told him of my Herpes Genitalis, et cetera, but he couldn't face the guys if he didn't screw me." After the bridegroom had finished raping the woman and returned with her to the party, far from chastizing him, his friends heckled the woman and covered her with wine.

It was fortunate for the dancer that the bridegroom's friends did not follow him into the bedroom for, though one might suppose that in group rape, since the victim is outnumbered, less force would be inflicted on her, in fact, Armir's studies indicate, "the most excessive degrees of violence occurred in group rape." Far from discouraging violence, the presence of other men may in fact encourage sadism, and even cause the behaviour. In an unpublished study of group rape by Gilbert Geis and Duncan Chappell, the authors refer to a study by W.H. Blanchard which relates, "The leader of the male group... apparently precipitated and maintained the activity, despite misgivings, because of a need to fulfill the role that the other two men had assigned to him. 'I was scared when it began to happen,' he says. 'I wanted to leave but I didn't want to say it to the other guys - you know - that I was scared.'"

Thus it becomes clear that not only does our culture teach men the rudiments of rape, but society, or more specifically other men, encourage the practice of it.

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Every man I meet wants to protect me. Can't figure out what from. – Mae West.

If a male society rewards aggressive, domineering sexual behaviour it contains within itself a sexual schizophrenia. For the masculine man is also expected to prove his mettle as a protector of women. To the naive eye, this dichtomy implies that men fall into one of two categories: those who rape and those who protect. In life does not prove so simple. In a study euphemistically entitled "Sex Aggression by College Men", it was discovered that men who believe in a double standard of morality for men and women, who in fact believe most fervently in the ultimate value of virginity, are more liable to commit "this aggressive variety of sexual exploitation."

(At this point in our narrative it should come as no surprise that Sir Thomas Malory, creator of that classic tale of chivalry, The Knights of the Round Table, was himself arrested and found guilty for repeated incidents of rape.)

In the system of chivalry, men protect women against men. This is not unlike the protection relationship which the mafia established with small businesses in the early part of this century. Indeed, chivalry is an age-old protection racket which depends for its existence on rape.

According to the male mythology which defines and perpetrates rape, it is an animal instinct inherent in the male. The story goes that sometime in our pre-historical past, the male, more hirsute and burly than today's counterparts, roamed about an uncivilised landscape until he found a desirable female. (Oddly enough, this female is not pictured as more muscular than the modern woman.) He simply grabs her by the hair and drags her to the closest cave. Presumably, one of the major advantages of modern civilization for the female has been the civilizing of the male. We call it chivalry.

But women do not get chivalry for free. According to the logic of sexual politics, we too have to civilize our behaviour. (Enter chastity. Enter virginity. Enter monogamy.) For the female, civilized behaviour means chastity before marriage and faithfulness within it. Chivalrous behaviour in the male is supposed to protect that chastity from involuntary defilement. The fly in the ointment of this otherwise peaceful system is the fallen woman. She does not behave. And therefore she does not deserve protection. Or, to use another argument, a major tenet of the same value...
system: what has once been defiled cannot again be violated.

The assumption that a woman who does not respect the double standard deserves whatever she gets (or at the very least "asks for it") operates in the courts today. While in some states a man's previous rape convictions are not considered admissible evidence, the sexual reputation of the rape victim is considered a crucial element of the facts upon which the court must decide innocence or guilt.

The court's respect for the double standard manifested itself particularly clearly in the case of the People v. Jerry Plotkin. Mr. Plotkin, a 36 year old jeweler, was tried for rape last spring in a San Francisco Superior Court. According to the woman who brought the charges, Plotkin, along with three other men, forced her at gunpoint to enter a car one night in October 1970. She was taken to Mr. Plotkin's fashionable apartment where he and the three other men first raped her, and then, in the delicate language of the S.F. Chronicle, "subjected her to corrupted sex acts." She was, she said, set free in the morning with the warning that she would be killed if she spoke to anyone about the event. She did report the incident to the police who then searched Plotkin's apartment and discovered a long list of names of women. Her name was on the list and had been crossed out.

Plotkin's defense rested on two premises. First, through his own testimony Plotkin established a reputation for himself as a sexual libertine who frequently picked up girls in bars and took them to his house where sexual relations often took place. He was the Playboy. He claimed that the accusation of rape, therefore, was false—this incident had simply been one of many casual sexual relationships, the victim one of many playmates. The second premise of the defense was that his accuser was also a sexual libertine. However, the picture created of the young woman (fully 15 years younger than Plotkin) was not akin to the light-hearted, gay-bachelor image projected by the defendant. On the contrary, the day after the defense cross-examined the woman, the Chronicle printed a story headlined, "Grievous Day For Rape Case Victim". (A leaflet passed out by women in front of the courtroom was more succinct, "rape was committed by four men in a private apartment in October; on Thursday, it was done by a judge and a lawyer in a public courtroom.")

Through skillful questioning fraught with innuendo, Plotkin's defense attorney James Martin MacInnis portrayed the young woman as a licentious opportunist and unfit mother. MacInnis began by asking the woman (then employed as a secretary) whether or not it was true that she was "familiar with liquor" and had worked as a "cocktail waitress". The young woman replied (the Chronicle wrote "admitted") that she had worked once or twice as a cocktail waitress. The attorney then asked if she had worked as a secretary in the financial district but had "left that employment after it was discovered that you had sexual intercourse on a couch in the office." The woman replied, "That is a lie. I left because I didn't like working in a one-girl office. It was too lonely." Then the defense asked if, while working as an attendant at a health club, "you were accused of having a sexual affair with a man?" Again the woman denied the story, "I was never accused of that."

Plotkin's attorney then sought to establish that his client's accuser was living with a married man. She responded that the man was separated from his wife. Finally he told the court that she had "spent the night" with another man who lived in the same building.

At this point in the testimony the woman asked Plotkin's defense attorney, "Am I on trial? ... It is embarrassing and personal to admit these things to all these people ... I did not commit a crime. I am a human being." The lawyer, true to the chivalry of his class, apologized and immediately resumed questioning her, turning his attention to her children. (She is divorced, and the two are in foster care. I am a human being." The lawyer, true to the chivalry of his class, apologized and immediately resumed questioning her, turning his attention to her children. (She is divorced, and the two are in foster care.) "Isn't it true that your two children have a sex game in which one gets on top of another and they - " That is a lie!" the young woman interrupted him. She ended her testimony by explaining, "They are wonderful children. They are not perverted."

The jury, divided in favour of acquittal ten to two, asked the court stenographer to read the woman's testimony back to them. After this reading, the Superior Court acquitted the defendant of both the charges of rape and kidnapping.

According to the double standard a woman who has had sexual intercourse out of wedlock cannot be raped. Rape is not only a crime of aggression against the body; it is a transgression against chastity as defined by men. When a woman is forced into a sexual relationship, she has, according to the male ethos, been violated. But she is also defiled by her double standard, by maintaining her chastity, or confining her sexual activities to a monogamous relationship.

One should not assume, however, that a woman can avoid the possibility of rape simply by behaving. Though myth would have it that mainly "bad girls" are raped, this theory has no basis in fact. Available statistics would lead one to believe that a safe house is defendably defiled. In a study of rape done in the District of Columbia, it was found that 82 percent of the rape victims had a "good reputation". Even the Police Inspector's advice to stay off the streets is rather useless, for almost half of reported rapes occur in the home of the victim and are committed by a man she has never before seen. Like indiscriminate terrorism, rape can happen to any woman, and few women are ever without this knowledge.

But the courts and the police, both dominated by white males, continue to suspect the rape victim, sui generis, of provoking or asking for her own assault. According to Amir's study, the police tend to believe that a woman without a good reputation cannot be raped. The rape victim is usually submitted to countless questions about her own sexual mores and behaviour by the police investigator. This preoccupation is partially justified by the legal requirements for prosecution in a rape case. The rape victim must have been penetrated, and she must have indicated to her assailant that she did not want penetration (unless of course she is unconscious). A refusal to accompany a man to some isolated place to allow him to touch her does not in the eyes of the court, constitute rape. She must have said "no" at the crucial genital moment. And the rape victim, to qualify as such, must also have put up a physical struggle—unless she can prove that to do so would have been to endanger her life.

But the zealous interest the police frequently exhibit in the physical details of a rape case is only partially explained by the requirements of the court. A woman who was raped in Berkeley was asked to tell the story of her rape four different times "right out in the street", while her assailant was escaping. She was then required to submit to a pelvic examination to prove that penetration had taken place. Later, she was taken to the police station where she sat and waited eight hours. "Were you forced?" "Did he penetrate?" "Are you sure your life was in danger and you had no other choice?" This woman had been pulled off the street by a man who held a 10 inch knife at her throat and forcibly raped her. She was raped at midnight and was not able to return to her home until five in the morning. In her words, "The rape was probably the least traumatic incident of the whole evening. If I'm ever raped again ... I wouldn't report it to the police because of all the degradation ..."

If white women are subjected to unnecessary and often hostile questioning after having been raped, third world women are often not believed at all. According to the white male ethos (which is not only sexist but racist), third world women are defined from birth as "impure". Thus the white male if provided with a pool of women who are fair game for sexual imperialism. In the world we live in frequently do not report rape and for good reason. When blues singer Billie Holiday was 10 years old, she was taken off to a local house by a neighbour and raped. Her mother brought the police to rescue her, and she was taken to the local police station crying and bleeding. "When we got there, instead of treating me and Mom like somebody who called the cops for help, they treated me like I'd killed somebody ... I guess they had me figured for having enticed this old goat into the house. ... And knowing what he is they threw me into a cell ... a fat white man ... I saw I was in danger and I felt sorry for me and gave me a couple glasses of milk. But nobody else did anything for me except give me filthy looks and snicker to themselves. After a couple of days in a cell they dragged me into a court. Mr. Dick got sentenced to five years.
They sentenced me to a Catholic institution.” Clearly the white man’s chivalry is aimed only to protect the chastity of “his” women.

Each girl as she grows into womanhood is taught fear. Fear is the form in which the female internalizes both chivalry and the double standard. Since, biologically speaking, women in fact have the same if not greater potential for sexual expression as do men, the woman who is taught that she must behave differently from a man must also learn to distrust her own carnality. She must deny her own feelings and learn not to act from them. She fears herself. This is the essence of passivity, and of course, a woman’s passivity is not simply sexual but functions to cripple her from self-expression in every area of her life.

Passivity itself prevents a woman from ever considering her own potential for self-defense and forces her to look to men for protection. The woman is taught fear, but his time fear of the other. Moreover, the passive woman is taught to regard herself as impotent, unable to act, unable even to perceive, in no way self-sufficient, and, finally, as the object and not the subject of human behaviour. It is in this sense that a woman is deprived of the status of a human being. She is not free to be.

The laws against rape exist to protect rights of the male as possessor of the female body. The laws themselves are clear: In no state can a man be accused of raping his wife. How can any man steal what already belongs to him? It is in the sense of rape as theft of another man’s property that Kate Millett writes, “Traditionally rape has been viewed as an offense one male commits against another—a matter of abusing his woman.” In raping another man’s woman, a man may aggrandize his own manhood and concurrently reduce that of another man. Thus a man’s honour is not subject directly to rape, but only indirectly, through “his” woman.

This oppressive attitude towards women finds its institutionalization in the traditional family. For it is assumed that a man “wears” the pants in his family—he exercises the option of rule whenever he so chooses. Not that he makes all the decisions—clearly women make most of the important day-to-day decisions in a family. But when a conflict of interest arises, it is the man’s interest which will prevail. His word in itself, is more powerful. He lords it over his wife in the same way his boss lords it over him, so that the very process of exercising his power becomes as important an act as obtaining whatever it is his power can get for him. This notion of power is key to the male ego in this culture, for the two acceptable measures of masculinity are a man’s power over women and his power over other men. A man may boast to his friends that “I have 20 men working for me.” It is also aggrandizement of his ego if he has the financial power to clothe his wife in furs and jewels. And, if a man lacks the where withal to acquire such power, he can always express his rage through equally masculine activities—rape and theft. Since male society defines the female as a possession, it is not surprising that the felony most often committed together with rape is theft.

Rape is an act of aggression in which the victim is denied her self-determination. It is an act of violence which, if not actually followed by beatings or murder, nevertheless always carries with it the threat of death. And finally, rape is a form of mass terrorism, for the victims of rape are chosen indiscriminately, but the propagandists for male supremacy broadcast that it is women who use rape by being unchaste or in the wrong place at the wrong time—in essence, by behaving as though they were free.

The threat of rape is used to deny women employment. (In California, the Berkeley Public Library, until pushed by the Federal Employment Practices Commission, refused to hire female shelvers because of perverted men in the stacks.) The fear of rape keeps women off the streets at night. Keeps women at home. Keeps women passive and modest for fear that they be thought provocative.

It is part of human dignity to be able to defend oneself, and women are learning. Some women have learned karate; some shoot guns. And yet we will not be free until the threat of rape and the atmosphere of violence is ended, and to end that the nature of male behaviour must change.

But rape is not an isolate act that can be rooted out from patriarchy without ending patriarchy itself. The same men and power structure who victimize women are engaged in the act of raping Vietnam, raping Black people and the very earth we live upon. Rape is a classic act of domination where, in the words of Kate Millett, “the emotions of hatred, contempt, and the desire to break or violate personality,” takes place. This breaking of the personality characterizes modern life itself. No simple reforms can eliminate rape. As the symbolic expression of the white male hierarchy, rape is the quintessential act of our civilization, one which, Valerie Solanis warns, is in danger of “humping itself to death.”

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Thanks to Don McLean, rock and roll in moving uneasily into a state of maniac nostalgia. "Back to the good old days," is the cry, and everybody is frantically plowing the fields in search wherever their roots happen to be hiding. Every closet in sight is being combed for skeletons, and we vicariously rediscover everything from traditional British folk music to '60 rock, country and bluegrass to music-hall. Ray Davies and Martin Cathy ran sack the Establishment, and all their country cousins from L.A. point us towards the Golden West. Some of us are even starting to get back to black music.

To claim to have found a representational selection of black music on four records is patently absurd, but as a random cross-section of what's appropriately happening, the above clutch of recent issues give rise to some interesting conclusions. With one exception, the "blacker" the music, the more profound it is. Thus Rahsaan Roland Kirk, supposedly an esoteric, isolated jazz figure, has dovetailed into the current musical spectrum, is playing music that emits far more energy, more power, more soul than the amazingly turgid Isaac Hayes, currently being touted as the leading figure in contemporary black music.

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The album is called Black Moses, and the cover is a literal interpretation of that title. The outer cover unwraps to form a four-foot-by-three cross, in white and black, with an arrow pointed heavenward drawn in a Messianic pose, swathed in DeMille robes and his famous shades. The sleeve note, printed in indiscernible proportions, describes Isaac Hayes as "God's own man", and inpenetrable Biblical prose, tells Isaac's life story, referring to him throughout as "The Prophet". Once inside the lavish packaging, one finds that the records are conspicuously lacking in the aggressive, the self-conscious side of the moving hype. Hayes' thick-toned basso voice is cloaked in a gentle funky rhythm section and great clouds of Hollywood strings as he meanders through a selection of songs that would not be out of place on a Tony Bennett album, material like "Brand New Me", "I'll Never Fall In Love Again" and "They Long To Be Close To You". He doesn't even perform Curtis Mayfield's "Man's Temptation", as well as Al Kooper and his "Part Time Love" is certainly no threat to Johnnie Taylor. The "hard funky raps" that sometimes bite, sweeter relationship between man and woman have all the depth and honesty of the talking bits of 60's vocal group records, and only "Good Love 699-69" has any life to it. Strangely enough, it's only Hayes composition in the two-record set, and the only one resembling his early work.

The point is: who's buying this shit? To my ears, Isaac Hayes is a monstrous figure, his nightclub schmaltz is soul aimed at those audiences, but black and white, who like to think that they're into soul music but who cannot cope with the reality and energy of true black cultural spokesmen like Ray Charles or Martha Franklin. It's music for Sidney Poitier to ball! Dinah Carroll to, and is probably selling to all those white people, the "black perspective, the mass black audience, the wall, fifty, sixties vocal group records, and only "Good Love 699-69" has any life to it. Strangely enough, it's only Hayes composition in the two-record set, and the only one resembling his early work. Hayes' thick-toned basso voice is cloaked in a gentle funky rhythm section and great clouds of Hollywood strings as he meanders through a selection of songs that would not be out of place on a Tony Bennett album, material like "Brand New Me", "I'll Never Fall In Love Again" and "They Long To Be Close To You". He doesn't even perform Curtis Mayfield's "Man's Temptation", as well as Al Kooper and his "Part Time Love" is certainly no threat to Johnnie Taylor. The "hard funky raps" that sometimes bite, sweeter relationship between man and woman have all the depth and honesty of the talking bits of 60's vocal group records, and only "Good Love 699-69" has any life to it. Strangely enough, it's only Hayes composition in the two-record set, and the only one resembling his early work.

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The Illustrated Police News, 1870.
Policemen and scientists have been together for a long time: it's one of those areas out of which come alarming rumours, startling stories of incredible successes, but which otherwise remain unilluminated.

Naturally the rapid advance of science generally since the War has made police science more powerful, but the result is not quite as all-seeing as detectives writing their memoirs would like us to believe.

Puzzled detectives at the scene of a crime ask two types of question. The first is: 'Is there any evidence here? If so, what does it tell us?' Trying to answer it involves making minute searches of the environment, using vacuum cleaners to suck up dust from between floorboards, pumping out drains and analysing the water for minute traces of dissolved blood. This search, if it's successful, produces some sort of sample — a flake of paint from the body of someone who's been run over, a fingerprint, a speck of glass from a broken window, a grain of earth from another part of the country, minute traces of petrol soaked into burnt furniture in an arson case, sperm on a raped lady's knickers.

Answering the first question leads to a second one: is the sample we've got identical with stuff of the same sort associated with the suspect? This is where the whole process breaks down. Ideally, the policeman would like to ask: 'Whose sample is this?' so he can then go and arrest him. But except for a few, highly specialised kinds of sample this can't be done because there is no existing index of owners. Fingerprints are the main exception, because the prints of two million people are held at Scotland Yard — but that's only one person in 25, and matching the print found at a scene of crime — which may be blurred, smeared, impression off only one finger out of ten, with the same print already in the file is a very uncertain business. The Yard has recently gone over to a computerised fingerprint filing system and this makes it easier to match prints, but the end-goal, a totally computerised system which looks at the scene of crime print, goes whirr, click and prints out the address of the guilty party is many years away.

They're getting very good at finding and photographing prints that a few years ago would have been totally impossible. For instance dusting with lead powder and photographing with x-rays reveals fingerprints on skin and cloth. Other techniques being developed at the now militarily idle Atomic Weapons Research Establishment at Aldermaston include chemical analysis of the oils that make up a fingerprint, and radioactive tracers to make them detectable. (Aldermaston has also recently come up with a technique for detecting cannabinol condensate on the fingers of smokers up to three hours afterwards. The counter is to wash your fingers in ether.)

Forensic scientists can also expertly match samples to each other. They can prove to a very high degree of certainty that even microscopically small amounts of stuff come from one place and one place only. If blood is found at a crime, and the police have a blood sample from a suspect, the scientist can say, using the six modern methods of blood grouping that at worst there's a 95% probability the suspect was the man; in the best case that it was ten million to one in favour. They can match things that have just brushed each other: a bullet to a gun, a terminal to a battery, a flake of paint to a car, a petrol stain to petrol in a tin. Modern methods of chemical analysis — x-ray crystallography, spectrophotometry, gamma ray spectrometry — produce vast amounts of information about the minutest samples. A single hair from the head of Napoleon was made into an idea of how unlikely this is to occur by chance. And to do that you have to study the traces apart, and both were

"Astounding, Holmes
Elementary, Watson. Elementary..."
This problem is common to all the new, sophisticated methods of identification: as well as proving non-identification of everyone else, to do that they have to collect vast libraries of information. They have to be able to prove a million people are innocent in order to show up the one guilty one. But to do this in all the many fields analysis has opened up would be a tremendous task. Doubtless as machines for doing analysis get automated, and computer time becomes available for storing the results, others beside fingerprints will be done too. This is where civil liberties raises its ugly head. In collecting these 'innocent' samples, the scientists can do two things. Firstly, they can go round being good ethical researchers, collecting data and losing the names and addresses of those who supplied it — blood samples, prints from typewriters, or whatever, and treating them simply as statistics. Or you can keep the names and addresses, and use them as the beginnings of a library — you never know when it might come in handy. Next time the Angry Brigade send Heath an irritated note, it may happen that the police library of type-writer faces contains that very machine. Bingo.

But at the moment forensic science has rather an erratic usefulness to the police. In the London laboratory — the tall building above the police station in Theobald's Road — about half the work is looking for alcohol levels in blood and urine samples in drunk-driving cases. Another sixth is identifying dangerous drugs (their phrase, not mine) — proving that this bit of brown stuff is actual hash and not Oxo. Another tenth of the work is sexual, identifying stains of clothes.

In spite of police publicity, what forensic science isn't good at is detection. It almost never finds the guilty party. What happens in the vast majority of cases is that the police get themselves a suspect — either as plain as day who did it, or an informer has told them, and then use the scientist to prove his guilt. And of course, should they wish to do a bit of framing, forensic evidence does the trick. A bank safe has been cut open with a thermic lance. The flame vapourises the metal, which recondenses in minute droplets which will hang round in the vault for days. If the suspect were there, they'd be on his clothes. If he wasn't but the police take his clothes for examination, wave them about in the vault, the droplets will still show, and in both cases the forensic scientist, quiet, intelligent, dedicated, certain, terrific witness, will nail the defence alibi.

Another specialised area is forensic pathology, the study of corpses which met violent ends. The questions the police usually want answered are: how did he/she die? When? Answering the first question often does the suspect good, because a surprising number of people who appear to have been murdered in fights and brawls often turn out to have died of heart attacks, or to have cracked their skulls when they tripped over, so the charge can be reduced to manslaughter. But techniques here are pretty crude. Subtle murders will stand a good chance of being undetected; poisons like dieldrin or curare leave no detectable traces. Pathologists seem to be better at deducing what happened to people just after they've been murdered — often the pathologist can say, from the way blood settles in the lowest parts of the body in the hour after death, that the murdered person was first laid on his back, then moved to the left side. Time of death can be calculated to something like half an hour in twelve hours from the rate of cooling of the body. Basic research in rates of cooling after death was done on Mau Mau warriors executed in British prisons during the Kenya emergency.

The myth, as usual, is greater than the matter. Police detective machinery is of variable efficiency and questionable advancement. Sherlock Holmes compares very favourably with the practical resources of New Scotland Yard. But that's for the moment, and if their accuracy and infallibility don't measure up to the media image, it's not for lack of trying. There are two basic books assessing the current trends of police science by the last two retired directors of the London Laboratory: The Scientific Investigation of Crime by L.C. Nickolls, Butterworths — best, but slightly out of date; and Forensic Science by H.J. Walls, Sweet and Maxwell. At least they'll tell you what not to do.
Scattered throughout Britain there is a growing network of local community aid and information referral services. In emergency situations, (police harrassment, arrest, illegal evictions, medical advice etc.), these organisations often offer the only source of sympathetic but dependable advice and help. Almost without exception, they operate on insufficient, shoe-string budgets and survive solely through the herculean efforts of their (usually unpaid) ‘staff’. These groups deserve your encouragement, your support and, most important of all, your involvement. Help them to help yourself.

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Here, Desaneck, take this wig and go to San Francisco to cover the bag BE-IN... AND DON'T SMOKE ANY WOODEN BANANAS! HAW HAW HAW!

I'M AFRAID NOT! I'M PRESIDENT OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK...

ECK! MY PURSE! STOP, THIEF!

OH... PARDO ME, BUT I'VE GOT TO GO TO THE RESTROOM TO... TO SHOOT UP!

EEEEE FFFFFFFFFFF! OH, HELP, HELP! THIEF! THIEF! THIEF! SCREELEEECH!

OH, THE HEINOUS FIEND TOOK MY PURSE WITH ALL MY GRANDMOTHER'S PICTURES BUT I'M RJECTED AROUND THAT CORNER!

GAK! YOU ARE A HEINOUS FIEND!

YUP! I'M THE NEFARIOUS CHAMELEON!

CHAMELEON, EH? WELL, YOU'LL JUST BE LIZARD PIE WHEN YOU'RE HIT BY 635 POUNDS OF FIGHTING HOG!

OH, YES, AND IF YOU THINK YOU CAN TRACE ME BY MY VOICE, I FEEL I SHOULD WARN YOU...

I'M ALSO AN EXPERT VENTRiloquist!

IN THIS CASE, THIS BRICK WALL!
I work if that has any fillings... how did they do it in all those "invisible man" movies on the late show?

Oh, hell, I'll sleep on it. Philbert has to go cover the Be-In tomorrow!

Let's see... a bloodhound couldn't smell anything else with a wart-hog around... a metal detector might work if that reprehensible hobo had any fillings... how did they do it in all those "invisible man" movies on the late show?

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The next day:

Wow! This must be where it's at, as they say... why, all the in people are here... there are the infamous Hell's Angels.

And over there... it's Wonder Wart-Hog's favorite rock and roll star...

Janis Joplin!

Philbert Desanex.

You old son of a bitch!

Perhaps I can help you, miss. I'm a reporter!

Oh, sir, I'm Pamela Piffleton Wallingsworth and I was slumbering and an unseen assailant stole my solid gold mandala with the ruby in the middle!

Hmmmm...

An unseen assailant?

Sounds like the Crusades come again!... how can I change into wonder Wart-Hog out here with this stick?
NO THANKS, MAN. I'VE HAD ENOUGH!

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BUT HOW DID YOU CATCH HIM IN ALL THAT CONFUSION, WONDER WART-HOG?

SIMPLE! HE GOT CAUGHT IN THE LIGHT SHOW AND IT JUST STRIPPED HIS GEARS!

EQUIP! CUCKOO! CUCKOO! FLEETBLE, FLEETBLE, TWEET, FRIBBLE!

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ASK HIM WHERE YOU CAN GET ONE OF THOSE OUTSIDER SUITS!
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STREETCOMIX, come out of Throso Hall, Castletown, nr Hexham, Northumberland - a commune farm. They also have a theatre/music group called the Phantom Captain which needs gigs in any part of the country.

BACK IN THE USSR - A band of four Russian youths who robbed a bank in Lvov, Ukraine, last year were quoted in the Kiev newspaper Pravada Ukrainy as saying: "We always wanted to live in the woods, far from society. We didn't want to wear long hair, unorthodox clothing, to play the guitar, to listen to Western music, to express out views when we disapprove of something. The main thing in hippie morality is unlimited freedom and no need to work."

Pravada Ukrainy went on to explain that such ideas were fed them by the Voice of America's decadent propagandising, and by certain foreign films. The 18 year old 'mastermind', Sergei Yulin, was sentenced to death by shooting, and his three friends to between 8 and 10 years in a labour camp. "Now the film dreams are over", concluded Pravada Ukrainy, "because this country is not America'. Really!

MEMO TO THE MINISTER of State for Education and Science: "There is no finer investment for any community than putting milk into babies." - Winston Churchill, in a broadcast, 23 March 1943.

IF YOU WERE ENTRANCED by Brian Jones' Joujouka album and wanna hear more Mooroccan music, Ian Adams has produced manufacturing, designed and distributed an album called Rifi. It's available by post from Ian at 16 Sinclair Road, London W14 for £2.50. No rgbie's to EMI.

OZ WISHES PUBLICLY to apologise to BIT for any inconvenience caused that worthy organisation by an OZ designer's flippant and incorrect labelling of their piece in OZ 44 as a 'paid advertisement'. BIT's funds scarcely cover day-to-day overheads, let alone a full page ad in OZ.

CLEM GORHAN IS WRITING a sequel to Making Communes, about alternative and independent living styles in general in the UK, not necessarily communal. Any information about such projects, from candle making to self-publishing poets, would be welcome - 01-727 8563.

SO NOW YOU KNOW - A paid advertisement in the Times of the 29 Feb, claiming to give 'the facts about Northern Ireland - which you may not have known'. The ad, sponsored by the Stormont Government, stated that the recently appointed Commissioner for Complaints had found no proven case of discrimination in Northern Ireland; that the Ombudsman had found not one 'single instance of culpable action by the organs of Central Government'; that all housing is allocated according to a scheme 'based strictly on need'; and that Religious or political beliefs are not factors taken into consideration in public employment. Well, all that fun for nothing.

THE NIGHT ASSEMBLIES BILL, if it becomes law, will enable a local council to break up by force any necessary any unauthorised gathering of more than 999 people after midnight. Permits for gatherings must be applied for 4 months in advance. As if that wasn't enough an amendment to the Bill states that wherever a local council decides any gathering in endangering public order (?), it can disperse that gathering, no matter how small. This Bill not only affects rock festivals, but can be invoked against any sit-in, protest march, vigil, or night demo. OPPOSE IT.

Write in the strongest terms to your local MPs and the Home Secretary that you oppose this Bill. The capital used to find and furnish his new flat is NOT embezelled from the OZ Obscenity Fund, NOT the accumulation of months of supertaxed wages, and is in no way extorted from the community. It is in fact a tribute from his current Rachmanian landlord to aust Felix from his cheap rent-propped flat.

It was Saturday afternoon in the Roundhouse and all the more conscientious members of the London Underground** had gathered together. The High Priests of the Alternative Religion had announced in the parish magazine (Time Out) that there would be an extra prayer meeting on Saturday: a meeting dedicated to Freedom and Responsibility in the Media. The ceremony would be held in the parish church (the Roundhouse) and there would be no collection. It was hoped that the ensuing publicity would promote the sales of the parish magazine and that the parish might even make a tidy profit.

It was gratifying to see that all the most expensive clothes from the Kings Road boutiques were there - a Boho Chic, the kind of lace top trimmed with trendy Mayfair hair styles. The prayers were read by visiting bishops. Invited by the vicar, anybody anxious that the service should be neither too tedious nor too exacting. From time to time members of the congregation were allowed to come forward to the altar and address the faithful. And for those who were tired of praying there were sideshows, with tridents and leaflets and revolutionary posters (at 25p).

Suddenly, one of the more fanatical sects which had not been invited by the vicar surged on to the altar and began to conduct the ceremony. Of course they could not have known that the vicar's gib eloquence, but their semi-articulate hysteria had a spontaneity...
disguised themselves in velvet jackets and dark glasses. The police had no warrant whatever to authorise their raid. Toogood claimed later in court that he was acting on the invitation of the management to drop in anytime you’re passing the club.

Subsequent to this raid, Felix Dennis and Stanislav Demidjuk were charged under two obscure sections of the G.L.C. and W.C.C. licensing laws, for having allowed music and dancing and the distribution of food at the club without having first obtained the necessary permission. After months of delay, the case finally came before a magistrate at Bow Street Magistrates’ Court earlier this month. The police’s behaviour at the raid was described by several defence witnesses (one of whom was a solicitor) as brutal, outrageous, violent, unwarranted, and just plain vicious. The magistrate was visibly impressed by Supt. Toogood’s feeble attempts to explain the necessity of sending thirty police officers to the premises to check on a licensing infringement. Both defendants were described by the magistrate as ‘. . . a very technical offense.’ He rejected the prosecutions demand for £600.00 costs, fined Stan and Felix only £5.00 on each count. Supt. Toogood, who is a friend of Det. Insp. Luff (remember him fans?) was plainly outraged at the gross incivility of the Blackheath Gnidrolog, not to mention the chemical implications – ‘children could get it purely by accident start playing with chemicals. One shoulders at the possible consequences.”

With IT’s Nasty Tales trial committed to trial by jury in a Crown Court, their need for funds is greater than ever. Give Generously – Nasty Defence Fund, 11a Berwick Street, London W1.

**THE HEAD OF FOLKESTONE CID, Det Insp. Wollett, was recently charged with shoplifting from a local chemist. He was apprehended while making off with several bottles of cheap perfume.**

**GO GET IT KIDS, – Schools, according to the dozy head-mistress of Guildford C of E School, are “open invitations to burglars” at weekends. Schools, she expounded, are chockers with valuable equipment, and “there are windows you can open from the outside merely by rattling them.” To say nothing of the chemical implications – “children could get it purely by accident start playing with chemicals. One shoulders at the possible consequences.”**

**A GLC LAVATORY COIN collector was recently discovered to have embezzled his employers over several years of £3000 – in pennies.**

**WATCH FOR THE HUN IN THE SUN – The OZ Belter-Mainehof Award for Ingenuity goes to the Santa Claus in a German department store who spent several weeks ingratiating himself through native wit and festive joviality with the staff of his store. Come Christmas Eve, he trundled merrily up to the wage desk, opened his bag, and after a vastly amused management**
Straight criminology, like the rest of the social sciences, has the function of telling its employers what it would like to hear. It provides information which is both soothing and in-effectual. There is no danger that it will, like the ratman in Clockwork Orange, devise fiendish techniques for conditioning the ungodly:

For theories based on the notion that man is simply a particularly sophisticated type of chimpanzee, superior only in that he can be taught to perform for long hours in factories and fancy a wider range of consumer goods, simply do not hold water. Their job is not to explain the vicissitudes of human existence as much as to explain them away. But this, in short, is ideological rather than practical. Science and scientific jargon has a considerable prestige value — after all witness the fashion which our world has been transformed by modern technology. The language and philosophy of the most supremely practical of all disciplines is borrowed lock, stock and barrel by the social scientists. Like some bizarre Cargo Cult they may not be able to deliver the goods but at least they can mumble technical phases in an impressive fashion. "Psychopathy", "weak superego", "inversion", "extraversion", "anomie", "low frustration tolerance", etc. etc.

It all adds up to a particularly insidious form of myth which depicts the social universe and its inhabitants as follows: Society consists of a large number of people who agree about what is good behaviour and bad behaviour, they have material interests in common and all pull together under the banner of the most supreme interest: The National Interest. All of these people are hard-working and most important hard-consuming. They are honest, reliable, unfrustrated and above all happy with the way things are. At the edge of society, however, dwell the unfortunate. These people steal, smoke dope, make love to their own sex, and have "extreme" political beliefs. They are very unhappy. They never chose to be where they are, rather they were propelled inevitably by forces completely beyond their control. On one ever freely chosen to be deviant, it just isn't worth while: "crime doesn't pay" and "grass is the first step to H". The whole myth is basically about justice: it has to be shown scientifically that the good proper and the evil will get their deserts. It's not just in Western moral plays are enacted. I suggest that you have a look at the British Journal of Psychiatry sometime.

Criminologists look at the criminal and see a man out of touch with reality, who, because of some defect, is unable to act rationally. The cause of such a defect is attributed to 'bad socialisation', The normal person, it is argued, passes along the conveyer belt of socialisation through his family and at work, and is stamped indelibly with the consensus of honesty and social conformity. Here and there, however, one is washed down amongst the deviants, something goes wrong with the template. The person may, as Hans Eysenck suggests, have a 'bad nervous system', and be constitutionally unable to fit the pattern. Or he may have grown up in a family who are inadequate at the job of moulding their off-spring. In the working class are characterised as being singularly bad at the job of bringing up their children whereas the middle class family (curiously like the background of the expert himself) are seen as dab hands at producing well-socialised kids. The underlying message is simple: don't blame the criminals for what they can't help himself for he is sick, since one who was well-balanced would ever contemplate a life of crime or deviancy. In this the myth has, inadvertently, achieved an insidious sophistication. For it is a world of difference between saying to the juvenile delinquent: "look, you little punk, I know you covet my property but I'm going to make sure that you're not going to get your thieving hands on it!" and "Look, we sympathise with you, you chromosomes/nervous system/family is messed up and you don't know what you're doing."

The first recognises that property inequalities are maintained by power, the second insists on the inviolability of property as a fact of human existence.

Now and then, however, myths such as these, devised to protect the interests of the powerful, insisting that "all's right in this best of all possible worlds", collide with facts that they cannot ignore. Whether carried in the media, in the P.R. statements of politicians or police, or in the professional journals. The Myth inevitably meets the Reality Principle and the jolt has repercussions which cannot be easily contained. The British soldier is there to protect the people's interests yet thirteen got shot in Derry; strikers achieve nothing yet the miners' struggle is palpably successful; the police are reliable and trustworthy yet they would seem to have one of the
GETS THE BLAME

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Jock Young

highest crime rates of any occupational group; it the end of
ideology yet May '68 in France witnesses a gigantic emergence
of revolutionary politics. False theories serve to mystify and
braniwash, they are constantly lacerated by reality. Yet like
Ptolemaic astronomers the theorists create epicycle after
epicycle, always attempting to prove that the universe revolves
around them, and their reality is unchangeable.

In criminology the facts which the theories found difficult
to digest, were the increasing amount of evidence that crime
was not confined to a tiny minority of lower class individuals.
For in terms of the actual commission of illegalities, rather
than those who got caught, crime is well-nigh ubiquitos.
It's not just the Kray twins, its the C.I.D; its not just the
lumpen-proletariat, its stockbrokers and real estate dealers;
its not just gangs, its corporations. Of course, to anyone not
deeply entrenched in suburbia this is hardly
startling news. But we live in a world where social know­
ledge is surprisingly restricted. Ask a Camberley officer what
he thinks the average dope user is like and you'll see what I
mean. Ask the average head how the money gets into the
rich man's wallet and you'll get a similar ignorance. The
ent revelations about the police aren't a surprise to some
but to many more others there must be a feeling of hurt
when they lay down the Daily Telegraph and wonder what,
indeed, is happening to their world.

If crime, then, is the irrational activities of the under­
socialised a considerable section of the population would
seem to be suffering from this complaint. But it makes no
sense to suggest that there is consensus in society which is
agreed upon obeying the law, if the majority at various times
blatantly contravene it. Yet we are left with the same type of
the criminal as a lower class minority for these are the
people who actually get themselves arrested. The most obvious
reason for this is that the police pick on these groups which
are most vulnerable. The middle-class boy from the 'good
home' does not get into the statistics, the company lawyer is
too powerful to be apprehended except on rare occasions.
But more than this, given that it is those in power who make
the rules, it is also in their power to break the rules if they
wish. They law is made for the powerful to be applied against
the powerless — it is scarcely surprising that the rich do not
figure prominently in the crime statistics. They are also
able of legislating their illegalities. Recently a Belfast
High Court decided that the British Army had been acting
illegally in their harassment of the civilian population. The
response last week on the part of Parliament was to rush
through a special amendment, so that it six hours, as if by
magie, the illegal had become a legitimate 'peacekeeping
activity'.

Crime for the working class may be seen as an unorganised
attempt to redistribute income: 'things' fall off the backs of
lorries, huts get constructed in back gardens out of work
materials, supermarkets find that a certain percentage of
their stock disappears. The problem is that the middle class
are much better at it, so every Labour Government that
has attempted to tax the rich in this country has discovered.
The activities of corporations, in particular, make the Great
Train Robbers seem particularly amateurish. In 1963 the
Ferranti company overcharged the Ministry of Aviation to
such an extent that after a prolonged argument they agreed
to return £4,150,000. Still they left themselves with 21%
profit. I am still waiting for the criminologist who will
press for the psychiatric examination of the Board of
Directors to see if they were suffering from weak superegos,
derunder-socialisation, immature personalities or evidence of
broken homes.

It is the Kennedys not the Capones of this world who
have excelled at crime. To first rip you off legally, then
make the laws, then rip you off again illegally and come
out at the end of the enterprise with the reputation as a
philanthropist — that's the real hustler mentality.

It is necessary to distinguish community crime and
predatory crime. Community crime is progressive, it
involves the redistribution of material and goods. It ranges
in scale from the solitary shoplifter to the Detroit
insurrection. Predatory crime is the illegal swindling of the
poor by the wealthy and the rip off of the poor by the
poor. Every underground enterprise has a rip-off artist
growing away at its roots, every working class community
suffers from the crime of its own people — whatever
the romantics will tell you. To talk of crime in the abstract
as the 'liberation' of property is nonsense — honesty has
its place even in a world of thieves.
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I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
D. [Signature]

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John Sack
(Hutchinson £2)

Some of Calley's autobiography, Body Count, gives a straight publicity
poster image of Army life. Travel: "They're people (the Vietnamese),
whose whole life is food, defecation, reproduction, and, if they're lucky,
land-and that's it. They haven't
running water, gas, or electricity." Pride:
An actor in Hair, he
wrapped himself with an American
flag as though it was nothing but a
rag to clothe himself with. He made
a mockery of it. He sang something
such as 'Screw the American flag',
and he walked on it, stumped on it,
dragged its corners and I just
gritted my teeth. I have pride in
America and I hate someone making a
drama against it. Heroes? "My
father was so behind me, I got
uncomfortable about it. He thought
that I was Joe Good Guy and I was
completely right and if anyone was
derogatory about me, people should
jail him."

But this alone is not the stuff of
which great men are forged. Calley
says he saw himself as "a mirror
really, for America," though only
after seeing an open letter to the
President, which it is alleged he
was being tried by all conscience-stricken
citizens, who see him as a reflection
of themselves." It is in this tone of
a faller trying to be uniform too
big for him that Calley goes on, when
he remembers. The admission: "He
said: I had done premeditated
murder there. I told: I sit up with
surgents in the wee hours of March
16, 1968, and I plotted to kill
those people in Mylai Four. I
filled up the cartridge clips, and god!
How premeditated can you get? Of
course, in Vietnam we called it a
combat assault." But also human:
"I admit it, I'm shy about girls.
I have to ask silly questions if I'm at
a cocktail party back in Miami." A
touching admission a propos of his
first taste of Vietnamese whores.
Subplot: he gradually loses his
shyness.

Throughout the first half of the book,
Calley makes out all right as the
little guy, thrown into a tough
situation who does his best despite
some blatant limitations. In the
second half, he blows it. "Now I
know Medina denies this (giving
the order to kill everyone), and I
know why. He's married. He has
children, and their benefits and if
Medina is sentenced for it:" "I was a
run-of-the-mill average guy: I still am.
I always said, The people of Washing-
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THE TOXIC METALS
Anthony Tucker
(Earth Island Books, 239pp. £2.50)

Give us this day our daily lead,
mercury, cadmium, Nickel
Carbonyl and God alone knows
what else. Unfortunately God isn't
likely to inform us just what we're
getting from our air, food and water
and it seems our elected government
is even less likely to let on, Mr
Tucker has no such inhibitions and
in this frightening and excellent
work he lays it all on the line. Were
you aware that "levels of Lead
found in urban populations,
including children who are probably
more sensitive to lead poisoning
than adults, actually overlaps the
range known to cause accepted
classical symptoms of lead poisoning"?

Those are accepted classical symp-
toms of lead poisoning, they lead
to madness and death. We've been
poisoned by an industrial society
that prefers more cars with more
economical engines and no knock
petrol to such useless things as
wildlife, falcons, eagles, otters etc.
Mr Tucker kicks off with an investi-
gation of the terrible events at
Minamata bay in Japan in the early
fifties where a Vinyl Factory 'lost'
some 200 tons of Inorganic Mercury
from the catalytic process in its
Octanol plant. At the same time
the fish-eating population of the area,
some 10,000 souls, began to suffer
from serious lack of co-ordination,
blindness, madness and in some
cases death. 43 died, another 68
suffered grotesque and permanent
disability and a very much larger
section of the population suffered
cumulative damage to mind and
vision. The difficulty at the time in
tracing this mass poisoning lay in
the fact that the Company involved
was using Inorganic Mercury.
Organic Methyl variety in the
environment was too much for
anyone concerned to believe. Not to
mention the manner in which the
Vinyl Factory conveniently forgot
to mention that they were discharging
Mercury of any kind in their annual
Wasteflows. Naturally enough at
the bottom of Minamata bay
Anastrobic Bacteria were achieving
effectively this, and were producing
dissection of Methyl Mercury. The
company responsible for this
eventually paid up to £100
compensation to the victims or
erelatives in cases where death has
intervened. All this happened way
back in the fifties and there is little
evidence that Western Governments
or Health Authorities took any
notice of these disastrous events in
Japan.
Mr Tucker demonstrates that all
along the line Governments have
had to be forced to take action,
that they have consistently bowed
to vested industrial interest and
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the dangers of Heavy Metal
Pollutants. Thus when a stretch of
our coastline becomes contaminated
with Lead or Cadmium, it is shell
fisheries that are shut down,
Fishermen that are put out of work
rather than any action being taken
to prevent the Wastes from
poisoning our coastal waters. In
the recent Tuna 'crisis' where a
sub-panic situation developed due
to the discovery of Mercury in Tuna
fish a consistent attempt was
made to rationalise this discovery
in terms of safety thresholds and
talk of 'averages'. There is no
real safety threshold for Methyl
Mercury as any of it whatsoever
is bound to cause damage, and as
Mr Tucker points out, to talk of
averages in relation to poisoned fish
is demonstrably nonsense because
"if it takes 40 milligrams of Mercury
to kill someone and I get 40 milli-
grams and you get none, then
according to the average we are
both safe."

Again and again he points to the
amazing ease with which Govern-
ments can be convinced that there
is little to worry about, e.g. "by
taking virtually every assumption that
would minimise the calculated intake of lead from the atmosphere for instance, and the word assumption needs to be stressed. Britain’s Medical Research Council Air Pollution Unit arrived at the reassuring conclusion that even for individuals working in the busiest street for eight hours a day the elimination of lead from petrol would reduce their daily lead absorption by only 7%. Within weeks of this announcement in January 1971 it had been quoted twice by the Government spokesman in the house of Lords, three times by the Minister of the Environment, Mr Peter Walker, and frequently by petroleum spokesman. All this and 30C micrograms of lead a day just from food and water and another 45 odd from the air we breathe. Every saloon car puts out about 50 milligrams of lead per mile travelled and this lead is dispersed by an excellent aerosol, your car exhaust which ensures good distribution across the land. "Now tetra ethyl and tetra methyl lead are such highly poisonous compounds that you cannot buy them. They are not included in standard chemical catalogues and are not easily available for research. Yet in petrol of motor vehicles several thousand tons are dispersed each year in Britain alone. The manufacturers Associated Octel do not and have never released information on production or sales. Can we really afford such culpable censorship?"

Leaving Lead behind, Mr Tucker goes on to deal with Cadmium and Nickel. Cadmium is the substance responsible for the Disease known in Japan as Iai Iai, an appalling condition where the bones of the sufferer may crack and collapse under their own weight. More commonly it would appear possible that Cadmium, which concentrates in the Kidneys with remarkable speed, may be responsible for a great increase in blood pressure. Cardiacs? Without a doubt there is a lot to worry about as far as Heavy Metal pollution is concerned, it is insidious, invisible and damned hard to discover. If we don’t start reducing it soon we may find that it will soon be contributing horrendously to our national death statistics.

Mr Tucker’s book is excellent, buy it and read well. After all if you’re gonna be poisoned you might as well find out who’s doing it to you and with what. Chris Rowley

DOOMWATCH
Directed by Peter Sasdy
(April – General Release)

Freaks have done a great injustice to alcohol, by dismissing it as “a doower”. As any intelligent Frenchman will tell you, alcohol is capable of so much “mind expansion,” or as I prefer to say “cutting through the bullshit” as smoke or acid, if you take it seriously. I quote Baudelaire “I bustle about in the stomach of the workman and from there by invisible ladders I climb into his brain where I execute my masterly dance.”

Consider the two double whiskies I consumed (on an empty stomach) at the reception to launch “Doomwatch” Pissed as a fart I took my seat, and the screen undulated like a polluted sea... (sinister music, fadeout).

The first thing which struck me was the film’s resemblance to a Punch and Judy show, in that the characters moved and spoke like puppets, and had their roles stamped on them as clearly as if on printed tee-shirts (“I am a fatherly, deeply concerned scientist”!, “I am an inbred country yokel”!, “I am a young, hot-blooded, deeply concerned scientist!”)

Far from spoiling it for me (though I annoyed several of my neighbours by “inappropriate” and raucous laughter!), this fact prevented the moving human details distracting me from what the film was trying to say; its’ message.

Ostensibly the message of “Doomwatch” (both TV series, and movie) is that “man” is destroying himself by his reckless pollution of the environment. A message which has gripped the hearts of millions of progressive people in recent years (pollution having replaced the Devil, the Kaiser and the Commies in the Christian conscience).

However, it is a far from ambiguous message. Take this film, a “respectable” chemical firm hires an “irresponsible” disposal firm to dump unwanted Plutuary Growth Hormone in the sea, it gets into the fish and turns the simple fishing folk of the island of Balfe into violent monsters (brilliant work by the monsters); even if the Doomwatch scientists); even if the proles don’t understand it or value it, we shall patiently explain to them. Our science conquers all.

But all the social issues are presented as inevitable, changeable, in a word natural. It is the "nature" of chemical manufacturers to be greedy and secretive, the "nature" of Admirals to refuse to cooperate with mere civilians. In a classic scene the Doomwatch hero prevents the Admiral with photos of the undersea Hormone dump, whose existence he denies. "How did you get those pictures, it’s a restricted area?" As if entering a restricted area were an enterprise comparable to walking to the north pole.

And "naturally" enough when help finally comes to Balfe, it comes as boatloads of British Bobbies with loudhailers and first aid tents. The “mistakes” of individuals, the “misunderstandings” of officialdom have been corrected; bumbling old British “society” (one for all and all for one, remember) has, as always woken up in the nick of time; gently prodded by the Robin Hood/ Dr Kilgare / Einstein figures of Doomwatch.

Just when you might be thinking that the structure of capitalist society might be at the root of pollution; that drastic social upheaval might be necessary to cure it, Doomwatch proves you wrong.

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