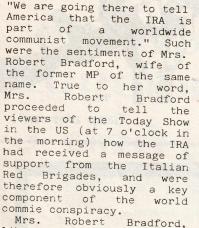




Loyalist Travelling



like her late husband, is a member of a fundamentalist Christian sect who consider the Anglo-Saxon race to be descendents of the "lost tribe of Israel." As such, she was a perfect choice to put the loyalist case to the southern states of America...to arch-conservative bigots like Senator Strom Thurmond of North Carolina, who has in the past supported both Iar. Paisley and the UVF.

Along with Mrs. Bradford on the "Operation USA" tour billed as a counter to IRA propaganda, were arch-right loyalists John. Taylor and Peter Robinson, as well as Ian Paisley, who only made it as far as Canada. Mrs. Paisley also tagged along.

LOGISTICAL TROUBLE

The loyalist roadshow ran into more than its share of problems. First, the American public just didn't care much to hear their story. Because of this, there was almost no press coverage of the tour, apart from a few local reports and one short spot on a sparsely-watched early morning television program.

When John Taylor appeared at the prestigious National Press Club luncheon in Washington, an observer spoke of "one of the worst attendances in the history of the function."

Then Peter Robinson tried to speak in San Francisco. First he was booked into the Episcopalian Grace Cathedral by the "Irish Forum," a group of "concerned liberal Catholics."



But the cathedral was inundated with protests and the Episcopalians cancelled the engagement.

Not to be outdone by such trifling matters, Irish Forum organiser Pat Goggins booked a hall at the Uni-versity of San Francisco, a relatively left-wing jesuit university. Protests poured ir. According to the USF director of public affairs, "the phone never stopped ringing. They were calling from all over the state telling us that this man was everything from a fascist to a bigot to a supporter of those who burned down Catholic churches."

USF officials learned of Robinson and Paisley's close ties to Bob Jones University, where Paisley received his "doctoral degree." Bob Jones is a self-professed racist, non-accredited university in South Carolina. It refuses entry to blacks, and the Reverend Billy Graham was once expelled because he was not "sufficiently pious." USF cancelled Robinson's engagement.

The only other engagement on his schedule in San Francisco was to speak at a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan This meeting was set up by an emigre loyalist who had been a member of the National Front.

PAISLEY IN CANADA

But the topping embarassment for "Operation USA" was the refusal by Ian Paisley to debate a representative of Sinn Fein on Canadian television. When he returned to Ireland, Paisley told the press that he did not debate Sinn Fein's Danny Morrison because the Canadian Broadcasting Commission had refused to give him an hour of air time for the debate.

However, SAOIRSE has been informed by sources in the CBC that it was in fact Paisley who refused to debate. A debate was arranged, and time alloted, but Big Ian used a number of ploys to avoid public confrontation. Finally, he demanded that the CBC pay him a sum of money for appearing on the debate. A spokesman for the CBC wryly commented that "we have better ways of spending the public's money."

BRADFORD STICKS HER FOOT IN IT

Apart from her redbaiting comments about "communist conspiracies," Nora Bradford continually hobbled about with her foot in her mouth. Her best statement, in South Carolina, was to the effect that "the loyalist paramilitaries are

Circus in America

always making mistakes... whenever they shoot someone they miss, and when they blow up a building its always empty." Unfortunately for the members of Silent Too Long, this is far from the truth.

ULSTER - THE FACTS?

The rest of the tour was mainly concerned with the retelling of the distortions and misstatements found in the loyalists' new book - "Ulster: the Facts." The speakers continually harped on the "2,000 victims of the IRA."

Howver, their comparison of the Irish struggle to a struggle by Chicanos to return Texas to Mexico brought reactions varying from guffaws to gasps of disbelief, Americans can be gullible (some used to believe rumours that the Red Chinese Army was amassing on the Mexican border), but they are hardly that gullible.

PUTTING IT IN PERSPECTIVE

Apart from the obvious humour lent by "Operation USA," one must put it in perspective. The only audience for the loyalists was a few maniacal Baptists



in the Deep South, and the Orange population around Toronto, in Eastern Canada. The Baptists are far too concerned about the evils of gun legislation and trade unionism to be of any use to the loyalists in a tiny, far-off place called Ulster. Their sympathy is useless to the cause.

The Orange population in Canada is a bit more significant. Some of them actually care about Ulster, and will perhaps send some money to Paisley along with their regards.

The American Congress is well sewn up by Republican sympathisers. Some are right-wingers, who against arms for the RUC because some of the voters back home would like to see the "ould sod" reunited once again. Others, such as the Black Caucus, are truly concerned about the issues of civil rights repression in Ireland. But the loyalists have backing only of a few archracist congressmen in the southern states.

THE REAL REASON

The real reason that Ian Paisley went to America was to convince the people back home that he was beating up support. The average man or woman on the Newtownards Road, or even the Falls, might get the impression from the BBC that "Operation USA" was a "big event" in America, It wasn't.

Just to give an idea of the proportions involved, several thousand copies of the book "Ulster: the Facts" were printed for distribution in America. 225 million people live in the United States. It's like spitting in the ocean.

IRISH BOOKS BANNED IN LONG KESH

THE IRSP has learned from its prisoners in Long Kesh that the prison administration is refusing to grant permission to conforming prisoners Irish literature receive and Irish history books. According to one prisoner, "Irish history books have been left in with our parcels only to be turned back. The education department claims the books are not relevant to the education courses, but our requests for Irish language and history classes have also been refused on the grounds of insufficient interest." The prisoner goes on to say that "this effectively bars us from self-education within the jail."

These complaints from the prison were taken to the NIO by IRSP Councillor Gerry Kelly. In response to Mr. Kelly's inquiry, the NIO representative claimed that he "can't see any difficulty in allowing these materials into the prison."

The NIO representative said that the matter would be under review, he was sure that the prison governor was not aware of the situation, and that there would be a meeting in a few meeks time to resolve the matter.

While the IRSP feels that a "few weeks time" is not necessary for the consideration of this important prison-education matter, we wish to serve notice on the NIO that we expect them to stand by their promise, and begin allowing Irish materials into the jail as soon as possible.

ORANGE FASCISM

Since the formation of the six-county statelet the various loyalist bodies have never seriously develop a attempted to coherent political philosophy. The Official Union-ists have aligned themselves with the extreme right wing of the tory party. The D.U.P. grew out of the hate policies of Paisley, and the loyalist paramilitaries until recently appeared to be apolitical. This apparent lack of political identity disguised the true nature of Ulster loyalism. The dominant political philosophy of Ulster loyalism is fascism.







ROBINSON AND THE KU KLUX KLAN

Paisley's protege Peter Robinson was involved in a meeting organised by a Ku Klux Klan member in California. This man had also been associated with the national front in england and it was through this organisation that he made contact with Ulster loyalism.

FEUHRER PAISLEY

Each of the groupings of Ulster loyalism has as its base a hatred of the Catholic population. The more "moderate" groups, such as the Official Unionists, disguise this hatred as a hatred of Republicanism, but the extreme groups have openly professed their fascist nature.

The Feuhrer Paisley marches his storm troopers up and down mountains and regularly conducts Munichstyle rallies where he raves about the threat posed by the Catholic population.

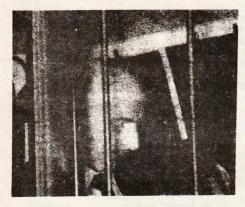


THE NATIONAL FRONT

The National Front has always maintained close links with the loyalist paramilitaries. Though the National Front office on the Ravenhill Road has long since disappeared, the Front has kept up a continuous flow of information and mutual aid with the UDA and UVF. They helped establish links with fascist armed groups such as Column 88. The NF has also carried out counterdemonstrations at the behest of the loyalists against Republican marches in Britain.

The NF has a thriving group among the loyalist prisoners in Long Kesh. A loyalist murderer in the Long Kesh cages once boasted to Republicans of the connection between the Shankill butchers and extreme fascists in Scotland and England, and how they developed the idea of ritual throat cutting from fascist literature. The graffiti of the NF is now predominant in loyalist areas.

FASCISM



COLIN WALLACE - BRITISH SPY



JOHN MCKEAGUE - DEAD BIGOT

THE BRITISH LINK
JOHN McKEAGUE:
ARCH-FASCIST AND BRIT SPY

John McKeague, assassinated by an INLA cell, was a key figure in the link between fascist organisations in Britain and loyalist paramilitaries. He developed a relationship with Column 88 members and kept regular contacts with them. It is not clear if arms were supplied to McKeague by Column 88, but McKeague helped to develop a link with the Ku klux Klan through British fascists and hoped to gain arms from the U.S.

It is notable that Peter Robinson, already involved with the Ku Klux Klan, attended McKeagues funeral.

McKEAGUE, McGRATH AND BRITISH INTELLIGENCE

It was McKeague's relationship with the homosexual William McGrath and his fascist group TARA which led him into contact with Colin Wallace, British black propagandist, Wallace passed this contact on to British intelligence controllers. Не recruited as an agent and rose once again from obscuto head the Ulster Loyalist Coordinating Committee.

He was then in a position to manipulate loyalist activities at the command of British intelligence. The homosexual British spy ring gained another agent with the entrapment of Sammy Duddy, U.D.A. commander and well known transvestite.

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aim to establish a political group whose objective would be a fascist statelet. The leader of this group, John MacMichael, has recently been propagating fascist ideas of bigotry.

In a recent statement, MacMichael claimed that grants to the construction industry are aimed at bolstering Catholic employment and depriving Protestants of jobs. The developof an Orange fascist front will become more evident as this group develops. It must be resisted at all costs.



BRITISH WITHDRAWAL

Clearly british warlords are involved in the idea of independent Ulster. an Their infiltration paramilitaries loyalist shows that they intend to push this policy as a back-door method of withdrawal Ireland. The brits from want the easiest raod out, with the least loss of face and they are trying hard to use the UDA's independent Ulster policy as a route.

ORANGE FASCISM

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NATIONAL LIBERATION AND SOCIALISM IN IRELAND

IN A STATEMENT SUPPLIED TO SAGIRSE, THE INLA CLAIMED THE FOLLOWING RECENT OPERATIONS:

- ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, AN INLA VOLUNTEER WALKED INTO THE ERINMORE CONFECTIONARY SHOP ON THE ALBERTBRIDGE ROAD, AND SHOT THE OWNER, ARCH-BIGOT JOHN MCKEAGUE SEVERAL TIMES. ACCORDING TO THE INLA, "MCKEAGUE WAS A PRIME ORGANISER OF THE DEATH SQUADS WHICH HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER, OF INNOCENT CATHOLICS."

- A UDR MAN WAS CRITICALLY WOUNDED AFTER HE WAS FIRED ON BY AN INLA VOLUNTEER AT THE SECURITY BARRIER AT ADELAIDE STREET.

in castlereagh? Say nothing 7 days silence or 7 yrs of prison - A BOOBY-TRAP BOMB WAS PLACED UNDER THE CAR OF A FULL-TIME MEMBER OF THE RUC. THE BOMB WAS SUBSEQUENTLY DEFUSED AND AN SAS OPERATION SET UP IN HOPES OF AMBUSHING VOLUNTEERS OF THE INLA.

- ON THE 4TH OF FEBRUARY AN INLA CELL ATTEMPTED TO EXECUTE A FULL-TIME MEMBER OF THE UDR IN THE CENTER OF ARMAGH. FIRE WAS EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE UDR-MAN AND THE CELL. THE UDR-MAN ESCAPED UNWOUNDED, AND THE INLA UNIT SUCCEEDED IN RETURNING TO BASE.

- AN INLA CELL IN THE TWINBROOK AREA CARRIED OUT A PUNISHMENT SHOOTING ON A MAN WHO WAS GUILTY OF RAPING SEVERAL WOMEN AND YOUNG GIRLS.

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- A WELL-KNOWN HOOD FROM THE DIVIS FLATS AREA WAS SHOT IN THE KNEES BY AN INLA CELL IN THE MARKETS AREA. THIS MAN HAD CONTINUALLY ROBBED WORKING-CLASS PEOPLE THROUGHOUT WEST BELFAST.

INLA WARNING: WE HAVE LEARNED THAT SOME HOODLUM ELEMENTS HAVE USED THE NAME OF THE INLA TO CARRY OUT THEIR CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES. WE WILL NOT TOLERATE ANYONE BLACKING THE NAMES OF VOLUNTEERS WHO DAILY RISK THEIR LIVES AND LIBERTY FOR THE CAUSE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION.

THE INLA IS CARRYING OUT AN INTENSIVE HUNT FOR THE MAN WHO HAS ATTACKED AND ROBBED A NUMBER OF WOMEN IN THE LOWER FALLS AREA. WHEN HE IS FOUND, HE WILL BE DEALT WITH IN THE SEVEREST FASHION,

DON'T FILL IN FIRE ESCAPE PLAN

Some schools in nationalist areas are sending forms home with the children. They are entitled "Our Fire Escape Plan." The forms provide space for information ranging from address and nearest cross street to the number of rooms in the house.

Worst of all is a set of plans, to be drawn in by the parent, illustrating the complete inner layout of the house, both upstairs and downstairs. Parents are asked to draw in the locat tion of stairs, kitchen, bathroom, living room, sitting room and bedrooms.

THE FORMS ARE NOT SIMPLY FOR INTERNAL CLASSROOM USE. THEY ARE TO BE SENT TO THE FIRE PREVENTION DEPARTMENT OF THE N.I. FIRE BRIGADE, FROM WHERE THEY COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOYALIST DEATH SQUADS AND THE "SECURITY FORCES." DO NOT FILL IN ANY FIRE ESCAPE PLANS FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL.

DeLorean Bites the dust

For pure audacity, John Z. DeLorean can't be beat. John He built a car plant with £90 million of the taxpayers' money and a few million dollars from American TV personalities. Basically, it didn't cost him a thing. On several occasions he milked the british government of many million pounds more. And now that his firm is going under, as we always knew it would, he claims that the british government is "unfair" for not giving him more money.

Meanwhile, the working class in Ireland and Britain loses whenever the government throws good money after bad in an attempt to keep alive capitalist enterprises that don't provide many jobs for the money, anyway.

LATEST PLAN

DeLorean's latest "offer that you can't refuse" is the following - that the british government cancel its ownership of shares in the car company and cancel all of DeLorean's debts. In return, the government will never have to turn John De Lorean away from its exchequer door again.

If the brit government fell for the deal, it would make DeLorean more than £60 million richer, for he would become sole owner of the Belfast company. In addition, if the government cancelled all of its loans to DeLorean, his assets would shoot up and he would be even richer.

At the moment, the £60 million assets of the Belfast plant are held as security by the british government against DeLorean's outstanding debt.

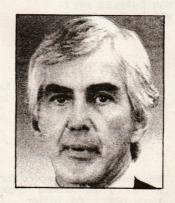
This isn't the first time DeLorean has made his astounding proposal. Back in 1980 DeLorean asked the british government for £22 million in grants. The government finally agreed to lend DeLorean £14



million. He was not satisfied, and began a campaign to get the government to hand over the Belfast assets to him.

According to an internal memo written by DeLorean at the time, "The ideal outcome is this...when we get through rattling the sabre we would hope they would return their stock to us."

Such a development would be the crowning glory of DeLorean's scheme to soak the British and Irish workers of millions of pounds,



JOHN DELIRIUM

SOUR GRAPES

It looks as though the british government, itself in the middle of its worst economic crisis, will not be so generous. In an apparent mood of "sour grapes," DeLorean paid them back with a series of accusations. He said that he made "a serious mistake in coming to Belfast," and told the press tall tales about how his plant had been firebombed 140 times and his executives shot at on many occasions.

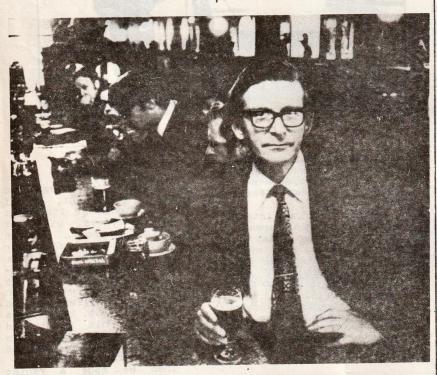
Then he made a racist remark that he had a terrible time putting together a management team for Belfast because "Englishmen would not work there." Never was there such an explicit admission that economic imperialism exists in the North - "it's okay to use the paddies as workers, but by god we need good english chaps to run that rabble!"

What Mr. DeLorean has not said is the obvious: De Lorean cars cannot survive as a capitalist concern much longer. 1,100 jobs are going now and the rest will go soon.

Savage rent increases

Over 60 representatives of tenant organisations from all over Belfast met on Saturday,16th January, to plan opposition to exhorbitant increases in Housing Executive rents. Fears of a massive increase were well founded, as only a few days later Housing Minister Mitchell announced the 100 increase in rents.

and urged the people present to 'think again' before setting out on a course of protest. But he was soon quietened by the spontaneous disagreement his line of argument met with. There followed much lively argument on what the demands of the campaign should be. Eventually it was decided that these should be;



HOUSING EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN CHARLES BRETT - BRETT DRINKS WHILE THE WORKER SINKS

The meeting was a militant one, with representatives (mostly women) saying that they had had enough and that the money simply was not there to pay the increases. It was unanimously agreed that the only course of action to resist the increases was militant protest. To this end,a 'day of publicity' was planned for the following Saturday and a'Day of Action'for the 6th of February. The only voice of dissent against this course of action was someone who introduced them selves as 'representing the SDLP

1.A 3 yr rent freeze.

2.A call on the Housing Executive to resign rather than implement the increases.

3.A 'day of Action'.

TOTAL SUPPORT

Expressing total support for the action by the tenants' organisations, IRSP Councillor Gerry Kelly described the rent increases as a "draconian attack on working-class living standards

by a heartless Tory government" and went on to call on the Housing Executive chief Executives, Charles Brett and Harry Gorman to "show their alleged concern for the tenants by resigning rather than implement these increases".

MONETARIST POLICY

The rent increases are part of a national policy by the Tory government. Although lower than the 30% increase in England and Wales, it is nevertheless a crippling burden on working-class families at a time of rising unemployment and a fall in real wages. It is also part of a wider attack on the Welfare State which covers education, health and supplementary benefits. The working-class people are being asked to pay to shore up the profits of a rapidly sinking British capitalist system. The less money they have to pay out, the more can be turned into profit, or so their argument goes But this monetarist policy being followed by Thatcher and the Tories is merely driving the whole system into deeper and deeper crisis. The people of the North, by virtue of the fact that it has always lagged far behind living standards in Britain, are doubly crippled by these attacks

BROAD FRONT

These attacks also show that the national and social struggles are closely intertwined and dependant on one another. The struggle to fight the rent increases is as much a struggle against British imperialism as that against repression or in defence of the prisoners. It affords any genuine revolutionary the opportunity to increase the class consciousness of the people and to build the Broad Front against all forms of British Imperialism.



A TALE OF TWO STICKIES

SEAMUS LYNCH: THE HAS-BEEN WHO WON'T TAKE THE HINT

Anyone who has read the Irish News lately will have noticed that ousted councillor Seamus Lynch seems to be the only one who didn't read the results of the last council elections. It would appear he thought being a councillor was similar to being a member of the british aristocracy, a life-time appointment.

He has been skulking about the city hall for

In a similar vein, the sticks' latest waste of matter, "The printing ran an attack on People," the IRSP and PD councillors over the dropping of the abstentionist policy since recent developments in Long Kesh. It would be too much to hope for that Seamus and Co. would adopt an abstentionist policy of their own and stop being "hangers on of the year."

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DEVIL O'HAGAN (IN TYPICAL "WORKER'S" COAT), SEAN GARLAND, BODY GUARD CAR-BERRY, AND THE EX-COUNCIL-OR AFTER MEETING FOOT,

weeks now in the hope of a nod and a slap on the back from some loyalist bigot or Alliance lackey.

The highlight of his short career came last week when he was summoned to Stormont to crawl before "King" Prior, and then led off to bow before former socialist-turned-unionist Michael Foot.

It would be tremendous if these two british overlords and their servants were on the electoral list for the North Queen Street area. Then Seamus would once again be able to walk about the city hall with some sort of human dignity.

No such luck. The nationalist people of that area have had enough of bellycrawlers such as Gerry Brit and ex-councillor Lynch.

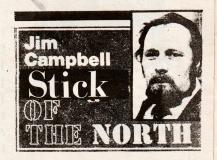
SUNDAY WORLD...STICKIE WORLD

The SUNDAY WORLD should think about changing its name to the SUNDAY STICK. Its Northern Editor Jim Campbell has continued his hopeless campaign to make the "Workers'" Party appear as a viable political entity. It was too much to hope that in his days with the SUNDAY NEWS he would have learned that you can't get blood out of a stone.

In this week's rag Campbell, aided by fellow archstick John Hunter, carried an article on the shooting of Sean Flynn that was a typical stickie concoction.

The final line, which claims the I.N.L.A. has stopped attacking the occupation forces illustrated the writer's desire to block from his mind the escalating and highly successful campaign waged by the Belfast Brigade of the I.N.L.A. over the past 12 months.

Campbell and crew should return to typical SUNDAY WORLD stories about UFOs, nymphomaniacal actresses, miracle cures performed by various cranks. Their recent articles have lowered their already deplorable standard.



occupation forces/fools and lians

Each week we will be nominating a candidate or candidates for the OFFAL Airey Neave Memorial Trophy.

The candidate must be a member of the british army or their native lackeys, who have shown dedication beyond the bounds of normal harassment and torture by some conspicuous act.

Candidates, however, may be disqualified by shooting themselves, their relations or fellow members. Disqualification will also result from informing to Republican forces for money.

Activities such as homosexual assault on underage children, rape (especially multiple), and membership in the National Front



TOP FUTURE BRIT NOMINEE FOR OFFAL AWARD

The IRSP is organised on a 32 County basis with the aim of establishing a 32 County Democratic Socialist Republic with the working class in control of the means of production, distribution and exchange.

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entitle candidates special consideration.

This week, RESERVE CONSTABLE LITTLE FROM THE SPRINGMARTIN AREA was unanimously chosen to receive the OFFAL award for his OUTSTANDING BRAVERY

Despite having his service revolver in the house he managed to be intimidated into keeping a sub machine gun and large quantity of rounds on the premises for several months.

His dedication to the aims and objectives of the R.U.C. and the U.V.F. shows how freely he gave of his time and energy in attempts to murder innocent catholics and other worthy activities.

A close second this week was the U.D.R. murderer of Anthony Harker in Armagh. However, a closer investigation of his past career is being undertaken and details will appear soon in SOIRSE.

Readers are invited to submit their own nominees of brave men such as Constable Little for this prestigious award.

