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The clash in Dungiven between Ultra loyalist Orangemen with the British Imperialist army has shocked many loyalists. Their army was using batons, rubber bullets and C.S. Gas against their loyal Orangemen.

The irony of the situation on Sunday was Faulkner as Prime Minister banning this parade in Dungiven when in 1968 the same Faulkner led the parade to open the Orange Hall in Dungiven. He is also the same Faulkner who lead a blatantly provocative march along the Longstone Road in the 1950s! Now he finds himself isolated and condemned by the same sectarianism he himself fostered.

The Orange Order is sectarian it is exclusively Protestant and has since its beginning acted as a bulwark for the reactionary forces in Irish Society. During the revolutionary democratic movement of Wolfe Tone in 1798, it was the newly founded Orange Order which supplied forces to repress the rebellion.

In the 1889's the order was prominent in resisting the struggle of the Land League. In fact supplied arms to protect the Landlords. In the great industrial struggles of the 20's and 30's this same order supplied blacklegs to scab against strikers catholic and protestant. This same order has generated sectarian riots and instigated pogroms.

No one should have any illusions about Orangeism it has been the tool of the cynical rulers of Ireland, it has for 174 years served the interests of Imperialism in Ireland, but now the situation is slowly changing the bloc of landlords -

farmers and workers who compose the order has been broken by the changing needs of Imperialism.

The economic interests of the Ulster bourgeoisie requires greater union with the south, as Britain begins to enter the super-capitalist common market so Faulkner has to ban certain orange marches which the opinion of the army might cause trouble and embarrass the delicate negotiations in the Common Market.

Blatant sectarian marches in Belfast and Coalisland are certain to cause trouble among the working class of Belfast. What will Faulkner do? Will he now resign from this order? or will he again march on the 12th as he did last year.

The least people can expect in the de-sectarianisation of this state is the ending of coat-trailing marches and the ending of the links between

orange order and the government.

This is possible as Lynch and Faulkner move closer to the idea of a United Ireland under the economic control of Britain and in such circumstances it is necessary there exist an Irish revolutionary Social Party capable of winning to its standard the class conscious worker determined to resist this new attempt to reassert imperial domination of Ireland.

Ferry Kuddy.

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WOLFE TONE

"Tone built up his hopes upon a successful prosecution of a class war, although those who pretend to imitate him today raise upon their heads in holy horror at the mere mention of the phraser.

James Connolly.

Wolfe Tone's grave in Edenstown has become a place of national pilgrimage. Each year thousands go there to commemorate Ireland's most attractive patriot - the founder of the Irish Republican tradition. With all such heroes there is the danger of the myth masking reality - and Tone is no exception. Indeed the surprising thing about Wolfe Tone is the brevity of his involvement with Irish politics. He lived at a time when in Ireland, and all over Europe, the conflict between the old order and the rising bourgeoisie was coming to a head. Tone, more than any others of his time, saw this

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CARR BOMB CASE: STATE CONSPIRACY

JAKE PRESCOTT



When the Angry Brigade attacked Robert Carr's house, the facts about their series of attacks on the bosses need no longer be hushed up. The illusion of social peace was shattered. The efforts made to maintain this illusion are illustrated by Carr's evidence in court. He pretended he was unaware of any substantial opposition to the Industrial Relations Bill; the Bill which in Court was compared to Hitler and Mussolini's industrial codes. For example, he said he couldn't remember the dates of any demonstrations against the Bill.....except the date when his own house was blown up!

Finally, Jake Prescott and Ian Purdie have been committed for Trial at the Old Bailey accused of conspiring to cause explosions carried out by the Angry Brigade. They have been in solitary confinement at Brixton Prison since February and between then and now the Angry Brigade has issued three more communiques, and blown up a Fords administrative office, Biba's Boutique, and a Scotland Yard computer room (which went up simultaneously with the Paris offices of three British companies).

One by one, prosecution witnesses failed to produce the incriminating evidence that Williams, counsel for the prosecution, promised us in his opening statement. For example, the prosecution based a large part of their case on the assumption that the explosives were gelignite from Perth, but on cross-examination of their own explosives expert, it was established that they could have come from just about anywhere, and in fact were more likely to have been dynamite.

Also, in their efforts (which failed dismally) to prove that Jake and Ian stole the explosives, they actually succeeded in establishing that Jake was in Edinburgh on November 20th, -the day he is charged with causing the explosion of a BBC van at the Miss World Contest in London. Even the handwriting expert fell short of expectations for his statement so much as admitted that it was by no means certain that Jake had written any of the Angry Brigade communique envelopes, as alleged.

The only witness against Jake who has towed the line is 'Mr. A', whose identity the State is withholding, who along with 'Mr. B' shared a cell with him in Brixton. He gave us the "whole story". So detailed and well prepared was his evidence that one would never have believed that it was three months before that he'd 'heard' it. His word perfect account neatly tied up more or less the whole prosecution case even down to the analyses of the forensic experts. Mr. B, who it was promised would corroborate his evidence, has mysteriously disappeared. All that remains of the case against Ian is his friendship with Jake and his political beliefs.

WANTED FOR CONSPIRACY



ROBERT CARR

This man is guilty of conspiring to kill and maim the public at large by perpetuating unsafe conditions in workplaces:

- conspiring to terrorize and intimidate workers by threatening them with legal punishments if they go on strike;
- conspiring to defraud the people out of the fruits of their labour to the profit of a small group of capitalists who "own" almost everything;
- conspiring to extort money from the poor and give it to the rich;
- conspiring to bribe and blackmail trade union officials so that they no longer even 'represent' the workers, but become policemen for the bosses;
- conspiring to distort the truth by spouting claptrap about 'productivity', 'industrial relations', 'anarchy' and the 'national interest';
- conspiring with Henry Ford and other foreign agitators to imprison millions of people in the life of boredom, frustration, isolation and humiliation which the capitalist system condemns them to;

CARR conspired to commit these crimes against the people with the members of a terrorist group calling itself the 'CABINET'.

These men are dangerous. If you see any of them, deal with them as you think fit.

Ian Purdie and Jake Prescott have been on remand in Brixton prison since March. Their trial is not due until December, and so, although the committal have shown clearly that there is no evidence against them they must remain in solitary confinement for 23½ hours a

day, victims of CS Habershon's conspiracy. He has been ordered to find a scapegoat, Ian, who served 9 months for allegedly throwing a petrol bomb at the Ulster office last year, and Jake whom he met in prison, fill the bill.

These men are innocent! An injury to one is an injury to all. Cash is needed for their defence. It can be sent to :- "Ian and Jake Defence Group 11a, Berwick St, London W1." If you can't afford any, write to them to cheer them up. The address is HM Prison, Jebb Avenue, Brixton, London.

FREE IAN PURDIE



"As I have maintained throughout I am innocent of the charges. With no evidence whatsoever to implicate me in any of the explosions the Crown has tried to put me on trial for what it suggests are my political views.....The entire course this case has taken has shown that the object of these proceedings is not to discover who was responsible but to effect a conviction, provided the political views of the person convicted were opposed to the ruling class.....The circumstances leading to my arrest and charging show how this Government is based on tyranny and fear. Millions of people in this country could be standing in this dock instead of me, because they are totally opposed to the political system in this country.....History will show who are the true conspirators." IAN PURDIE

WOLFE TONE



Tone was born in 1763 in Dublin, the son of a coach builder. He was educated at Trinity College, and later studied law in London. He became a barrister in 1789, though he rarely practised. His political involvement in Ireland spans only a few short years, between 1791 and 1795, but shows a development from constitutional reformer to republican revolutionary.

In 1791 he became involved with the Catholic Committee - a body of middle-class Catholics who were campaigning for Catholic civil rights. In 1791 he helped for the society of United Irishmen, at first a reformist group. In the face of the continued reaction of the Irish Parliament the United Irishmen evolved into a secret and revolutionary party dedicated to overthrowing the Irish Parliament, and breaking the economic stranglehold of Britain and setting up an Irish Republic. Yet by this stage Tone had already left Ireland though his contract continued, and he was not to set foot again in this country until 1798, and indeed not until the rebellion of 98 had been crushed.

The nations of Europe, towards the end of the eighteenth century, were going through a period of great social and revolutionary upheaval. The revolutionary class was the middle class - rising up to overthrow the old land-based power structure and to establish the new capitalism of the early industrial revolution. America had led the way with the war of Independence. The colony of Britain had successfully asserted its right to establish its own industries, search out its own markets and make laws in its own economic interests. Ireland at this time was in a colonial position. Irish industry was carefully kept down by legislation made in London and handed to Ireland. She could not export or import except through England. Her textile industries had been smashed and thousands particularly from the north, had emigrated to American colonies. The Irish parliament was made up of absentee landlords and placemen, whose interests were those of England. Small wonder then, that the dissenters or Presbyterians of the north saw the American war of independence

as something that could be repeated and it was from this group that a great amount of the fervour for independence was to come.

Ireland in the 18th century, was "two nations": The landlord class, Protestant, English, often absentee, held complete political power. They controlled the Dublin parliament in their own interests. Ireland was a colony and a market for English goods. Grattan and his party had attempted to reform the Irish parliament - but by its very class nature, the Irish parliament could not be reformed.

The other nation was the peasantry - poor, dispossessed, with few legal rights, slaving under a burden of titles, taxes and rents. The Irish peasants were largely disorganized, or such organization as they had was defensive and not revolutionary. They suffered under the middle men, the landowner and the Catholic hierarchy - controlled by Britain under Maynooth which the British government had set up and subsidised. It was not from the poorest peasants that revolt was to come they opposed - the French landing at Bantry - indeed during the '98 rebellion Munster (with the exception of an affray at Cork) and the whole of the province of Connaught remained completely quiet.

The spark of revolt came from two quarters, two groups whose interests coincided and formed an alliance despite the attempts of the aristocracy to split them on sectarian grounds, the richer Catholics and the northern dissenters.

During the 18th century Catholics had been barred from holding land in Ireland. Land meant wealth - land meant political power. But many Catholics became involved in trade and the professions relatively rich only to find their political progress blocked by the remaining penal laws.

The Catholic Committee was founded to campaign for civil and legal rights. Tone published a pamphlet - "The Argument on behalf of Catholics in Ireland" and became its secretary. The objects of the Catholic Committee were moderate. It looked for the abolition of laws which though obsolete were still on the statute books and which were insulting to Catholics. It also sought for parliamentary reform.

In the first it was partially successful - in the second it met with very little success.

Tone moved from the Catholic Committee to form the United Irishmen in 1791. The United Irishmen was not, at first, a secret or illegal society. It was one which, inspired by ideals of the French Revolution campaigned for Catholic rights,

parliamentary reform and independence from English control. The society was founded in the North and its members were, in the main, the northern dissenter men like Samuel Neilson who founded the newspaper

"The Northern Star". The United Irishmen worked closely with the Catholic Committee, and gave expression to their sympathy in practical ways by organizing public meetings in Belfast petitions and so forth. Needless to say the government in Dublin Castle were worried by this alliance and between Catholic and Dissenter. They were quiet blatant about the need to drive a wedge between these two groups, to "divide and rule" and some years later the Orange Order was deliberately nurtured by the government in an attempt to split this Catholic - Presbyterian unity. Meanwhile harassment of the United Irishmen continued in the old pattern, breaking up meetings, arresting leaders, until in 1795 Tone was forced to leave the country for America.

A few days before Tone left there occurred an event which is often regarded as symbolising the birth of Irish Republicanism. Tone describes the event as follows: "I remember particularly two days that we spent on Cave Hill. On the first Russell, Neilson, Simms, McGrada and one or two more of us, on the summit of McArt's Fort, took a solemn obligation - never to desist in our efforts until we had subverted the authority of England over our country and asserted her independence."

Tone sailed for America and a year later for France where he made contact with the revolutionary leaders. His advocacy of Ireland's cause during a period of two and a half years was so effective that during the year's 1796-98 four separate expeditions were fitted out by the French Government for the invasion of Ireland.

The '98 rebellion first broke out in the midlands, in Kildare, Carlow and Meath; later in Ulster counties of Antrim and Down, and later again in Wexford and Wicklow. The outbreaks were isolated and disorganized. The leaders had been previously betrayed and captured. The successes were few and the consequences brutal beyond belief.

Wolf Tone arrived on the last French expedition aboard the battleship "Hoche". The rebellion was by this time crushed and the previous French forces captured. Tone was taken prisoner but despite his request to be treated as a prisoner of war (he had become a French Citizen and officer) he was taken to Dublin and sentenced to be hanged. He took his own life in his prison cell.

CAPITALISM (part 3)

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS A "LIGHT" JUNGLE. IT WAS RICH WITH ALL THE GOODNESS OF THE EARTH. AND MEN CAME AND LIVED IN THE FOREST. THEY TOOK THE FRUIT FROM THE TREE AND THEY STARTED TO GROW THINGS IN THE EARTH. BUT LATER THEY DECIDED TO CUT DOWN THE TREES. THEY CUT DOWN ALL THE TREES AND TODAY THE PLACE IS FAMOUS. IT IS KNOWN AS THE SAHARA "DESERT".

Capitalism as a system is concerned with only one thing - profits. Therefore it follows, people do not matter. And so in the sacred name of profit this planet of ours is fouled, polluted and despoiled. We are all guilty of this to a certain extent of course. We are careless, we dump things, we spread litter, but we are only a small timers. The big capitalist is the master. He pollutes our atmospheres with smoke and noxious fumes, he puts chemical waste into our rivers (isn't it nice to know that the Blackwater in Belfast is the dirtiest river in Britain?) his tankers foul our beaches, he puts down insecticides like DDT and arsenic. He doesn't care that it also helps to Dieldrin and Aldrin on our crops, because it's cheap and kills the bugs. He doesn't care that any pregnant women sure that no trees can grow in 1/4 of all the forests in Vietnam - and he doesn't care that any pregnant women in the area at the time are likely to give birth to monster children, due to chromosome deficiencies. But business is business. So poison gasses and chemicals are poured out into the river Elbe killing all the fish. Naphtha floods the Mersey. The earth is cluttered up with non-returnable unbreakable indestructable bottles and cans. (This may seem a minor point but the problem is so great in the States that millions are being spent every year trying to get manufacturers to pack their products in materials that can be crushed up and repurposed because there isn't enough room to dump them. Already the biggest bottle firm, Coca Cola has agreed to do this, but Schweppes here in GB refuses.)

THE EFFLUENT SOCIETY

Meanwhile, a few tips if you want to survive until the year 2000.

- 1). Mix detergent with everything you eat and drink - there's plenty of it about already, but you've got to be ready for the really concentrated doses.
- 2). Learn to digest grass and common plants - assuming there's left, not much else will be.
- 3). Develop a taste for grubs and insects.
- 4). Fatten your dog or budgie.
- 5). Practise starving.
- 6). Every night before going to bed brush your teeth with tooth paste and then rinse out your mouth with industrial waste.

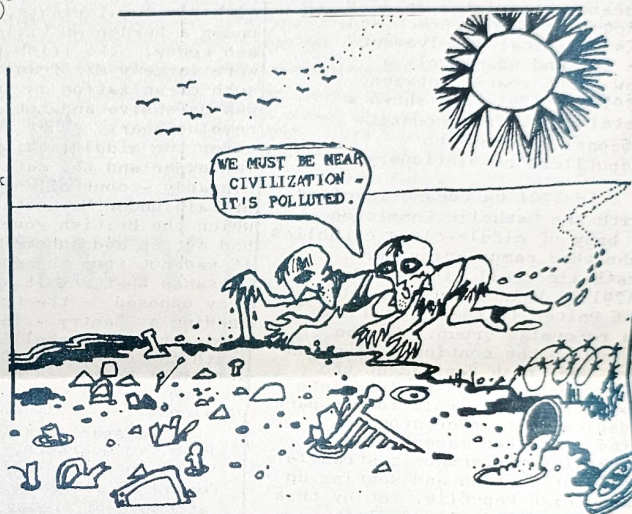
Remember, most services will break down within 30 years at this rate, so get used to doing without your gas, electricity, tv, radio, heat, water, telephone. Practice sitting naked on the floor saying :- "thank God for progress. thank God for progress. Progress is wonderful."

fight back

BUT ALL IS NOT LOST. ALREADY PEOPLE ARE STARTING TO RETALIATE.

In America, that advanced bastion of capitalism the position is much worse than here. Even the used car salesman in the White House has accepted as much and has authorized the spending of millions of dollars in an effort to halt the disaster - already nothing can live in Lake Michigan and the entire Eastern seaboard is a stinking mass of polluted beaches - but of course, they're not prepared to take action against the big business men, the ones who create the mess and profit by it. So, enter the guerrilla ecology groups. These groups are springing up all over the country. One of the most notorious is the group calling itself "Eco-fox". In the last two months they have :- scaled a 100 foot chimney and blocked the top of it so that its noxious fumes went back into the factory and not around people's homes; dumped 1/2 a ton of industrial waste on the lawn of the factory manager; torn down 20 miles of ugly billboards which marred the motorway; filled the boss's swimming pool with dead fish killed by the chemicals his factory spews out. Plastered the major car manufacturers with signs giving details of the amount of pollution caused by the petrol engine while the patents for battery cars and cars run cheaply on water are held by car and petrol companies.

Air pollution in GB alone costs £250 million. For each car we need 10 trees, 100 for a truck, in order to depollute the air we have to breathe. In Tokyo the police on traffic duty have to have oxygen breaks every 30 minutes. Basic human rights include the right to eat decent food which hasn't been poisoned, the right to breathe clean air, drink pure water, the right to decent shelter, the right to have unpolluted recreation areas for all. The capitalists want these too - for the few with money who can afford their island in the Bahamas, or the exclusive golf club. It's time we here brought the problems of pollution and squalor home to those responsible. Dump your garbage on the lawns of the reactionary councillors - you're sure to be able to think of one or two. Don't forget your rats - what better company could they have than Cairns, Lewis or Cranston! If they won't clean up that dirty sewer that the kids keep falling into, bring a few samples to the men in charge - at their home address..... When we bury the capitalists, let's make sure that there's still something left that they have polluted, fouled up or crapped on! And let's make sure that it belongs to the people, not the profiteers!

**ON THE BEAT.**

Hallo there! Following my article two weeks ago some of the lads in the station have suggested that I give some better news lest morale suffer. So here it is. It's been a good week. Firstly congratulations to our two bros and comrades in Dad's Army - Harry and Willie James Sinnamon of Aughafad Pomeroy who got off after shooting those two fellows in Dungannon. And well done too to good old Walter Burnsides, our comrade from the late lamented B men who only got 6 months for getting caught with the biggest arsenal discovered in Dungannon underneath his garage. Those on the ball will recollect that it's second time lucky for Walt, for he and his brother were annested after a little "misunderstanding" in Armagh when they distinguished themselves by their enthusiasm in shooting off guns to scare the civil riots troublemakers.

More congrats are in order for the bosses. Not only did Seaman Let the two officers in charge of the Shorelands in August when that kid got shot in Divis Towers give their evidence in secret, but our chief Johnny Taylor got away with another "driving accident". That's the way to keep the population down boss! Finally isn't it a good thing that we haven't heard any more about those comrades from Newry who got into a spot of trouble because of their interest in antiquities. Bro Martagh has all our good wishes.

Evening all.

HOBNAIL.