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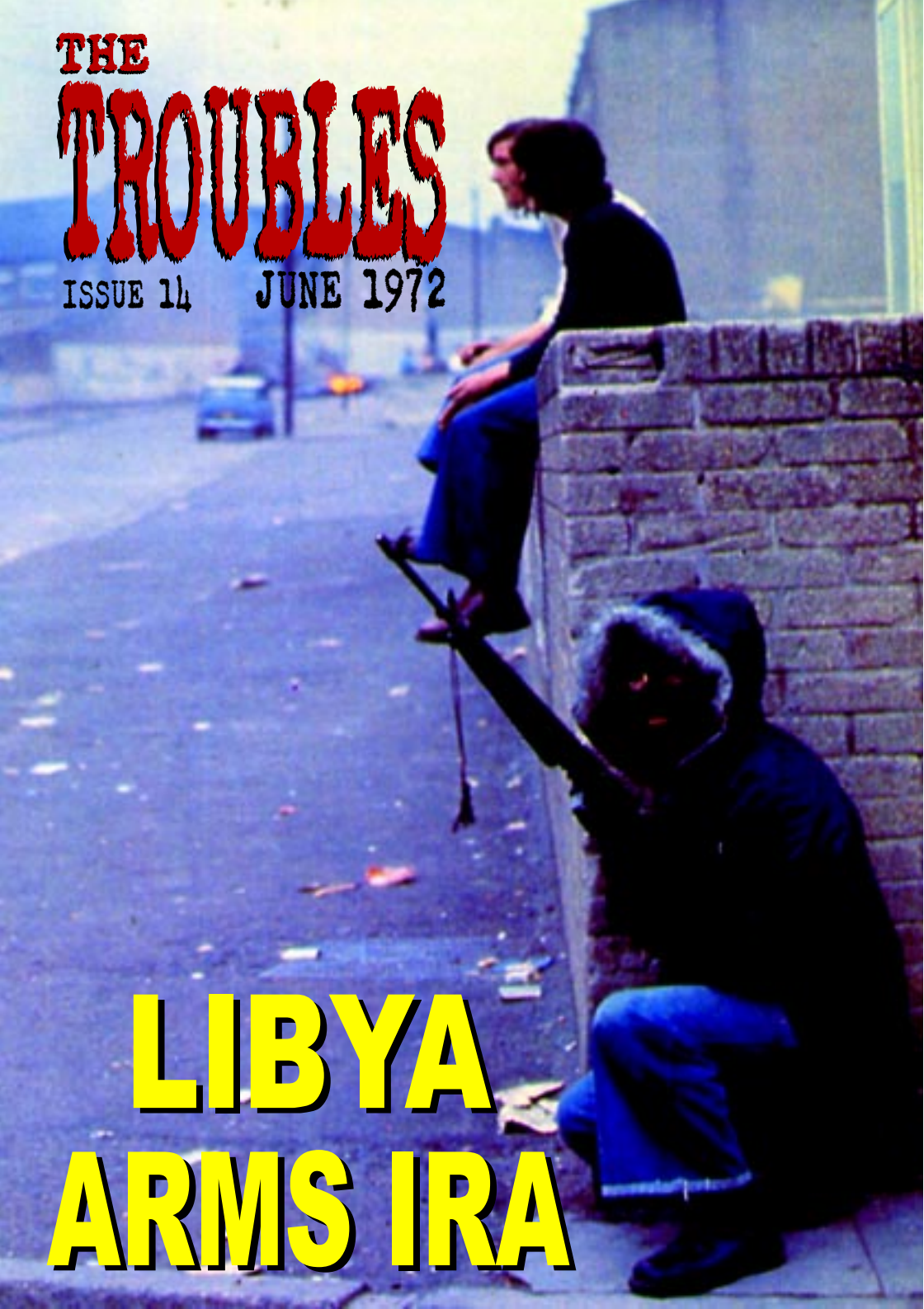

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A CHRONOLOGY OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND CONFLICT

It can often be a contentious issue of debate of when and how Northern Ireland's 'Troubles' began, who and what is to blame, and even which event in case led us to where we are now. You can go back 30 years, or even 300 years and beyond for in reality Ireland has been engaged in conflict with England for centuries.

Therefore, in order to compile a chronological record of the modern Troubles - the term usually given to the most recent conflict, we must mark a defining point of start, which we have taken as partition itself and from which we began in Issue 1. In turn again, we feel it is equally important to give you the reader some understanding why events spiralled as they did into a bloody civil war.

This is not another view of the Troubles, this has been done and redone. This is the historical recording of events compiled by people from different parts of Belfast who lived through them. Our objective as local historians is to compile what we hope will be as near as possible a definitive reference to events as they unfolded through the last three decades.

In terms of research we have used as much material as possible and from diverse perspectives. We are confident that we have covered events as they were reported at the time. If however you feel that we have either left something out or indeed got something wrong we are more than happy to hear from you. As mentioned above this series of publications is the historical recording of the Troubles and all corrections are more than welcome.

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JUNE 1972

Thursday 1st June 1972
Leading Republicans arrested
The round-up of leading Republicans has continued in the South with the arrest of Sean Brady, brother of the president of Sinn Fein. Mr Brady is publicity officer for Sinn Fein. Also held under the Offences Against the State Act is Joe Cahill, a former leader of the Provisional IRA in Belfast. Cahill was arrested during a raid on the headquarters of Sinn Fein in Kevin Street, Dublin. IRA Chief of Staff and members of the Provisional IRA's Army Council are also being sought.

Thursday 1st June 1972
RUC man cleared of arms charge
A suspended RUC man has been discharged at Bow Street Magistrate's Court in Lisburn after the prosecution said that no evidence would be offered. The RUC man, Robert Lusty, had been charged with conspiracy to obtain arms.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Parking restrictions
As a security measure a 24 hour, total ban, has been implemented in a limited area of Belfast. The area which has been declared a "no parking" zone is basically the main part of the city centre. The area is roughly, south of the City Hall, May Street, Great Victoria Street, Smithfield, Donegal Street, Royal Avenue, High Street and Victoria Street.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Ballynahinch car bomb
Ballynahinch High Street has been devastated by a 150lb bomb which was contained in a van parked outside McCoubrey's hardware shop. Three 999 calls were made to the RUC but these said the bomb was in Dromore Street. The area was sealed off and when the bomb exploded at 9.50, houses and shops within a 50 yard radius were extensively damaged. Two RUC men were injured in the attack. One was badly cut around the face and had to have stitches but the other received only minor injuries.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Men shot in taxi depot
Two men are critically ill in the Mater Hospital after they were shot in a Belfast taxi depot. The shooting was at the offices of Ace taxis shortly before 3.00am. The men are aged 18 and 24. One has bullet wounds to the chest and the other was shot in the legs and stomach. The shooting appears to be the latest in a series where the only apparent motive is sectarian.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Councillor's shop bombed
A Newsagents shop belonging to a Belfast city councillor was wrecked by a bomb while the owner was at the Lord Mayor installation dinner at the City Hall. The shop in York Street belongs to Councillor Brent Hughes. Two armed men ordered the woman assistant out before planting the bomb in the back of the shop.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Belfast sniper attacks
Soldiers have been fired on in Belfast on a number of occasions. The shots came from the roof of St.



RIGHT - A burning bus across the Grosvenor Road







Comgall's school and troops believe they may have shot a sniper during one of the exchanges. In Ballymurphy and Lenadoon areas, soldiers also came under fire but there were no casualties and fire was not returned. An explosion and automatic fire were also heard in the New Lodge Road area but it is not known where they came from.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Shotguns discovered
Two shotguns have been found wrapped in cellophane on the banks of a stream in Andersonstown.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Former school destroyed
The former Christian Brothers School at Margaret Street, Newry, has been destroyed by fire and the RUC are treating the blaze as malicious. The building was damaged in a previous bomb attack and has not functioned as a school for some time

Thursday 1st June 1972
Soldiers attacked in Newry
Soldiers from the Duke of Wellington's Regiment have come under fire as they manned a vehicle checkpoint south of Newry. Twenty shots were directed at them but fire was not returned.

Thursday 1st June 1972
School bus stoned
The RUC are said to be investigating the stoning of a bus carrying children from the Protestant Model

LEFT - Belfast's Ann Street after a number of IRA bomb attacks

School. One child was cut in the leg.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Soldier burned in Booby-trap attack
The commander of an Army patrol has been burned on the forehead and hands when he opened the booby-trapped door of a house near Dungiven RUC barracks. The soldiers were investigating suspicious noises heard coming from the house.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Shots fired in Coalisland
Six low velocity shots have been fired at an RUC Land Rover near the centre of Coalisland. They did not penetrate the vehicle's armour and a soldier fired a single shot in response.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Petrol bomb attack in Newtownabbey
A petrol bomb has started a fire which has badly damaged toilets in Merville Garden Village's community centre.

Thursday 1st June 1972
RUC man shot in Derry
The condition of an RUC man who was shot during a bomb scare on Wednesday is said to be satisfactory. Several shots were also fired at Army posts during the night but there were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Thursday 1st June 1972
50th Anniversary for RUC
The RUC has celebrated the 50th anniversary of its formation. Its Chief Constable is Mr Graham Shillington.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Extend parking restrictions
Independent Unionist Councillor, Hugh Smyth, urged City Council officials to extend the new parking



restrictions to include the Shankill area. He also said that the only way to defeat the bombers was to go into the "no-go" areas and "rid them out."

Thursday 1st June 1972
Bombers hit Derry
The offices of the Wholesale Newspapers Services Ltd in Shipquay Street, Derry, have been wrecked by a bomb which exploded after a ten minute warning. The bomb was carried into the building in a duffle bag.

Thursday 1st June 1972
IRA gets new recruits
The Provisional IRA in Derry have claimed that over a dozen members of the Official IRA have joined their ranks and "brought their guns with them", since the Officials announced their ceasefire.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Army and RUC permanently barred
The Official IRA in Derry have said that the Free Derry area is permanently barred to the RUC and Army and that any attempt to remove the barricades, would, in spite of its ceasefire, be met with the full forces at their disposal.



Thursday 1st June 1972
Internee charged with escape
An internee, 34-year-old William Kennedy, who is alleged to have attempted to escape from Crumlin Road jail on the same day that nine men dressed in football kit escaped, has been remanded in custody.

Thursday 1st June 1972
Peace petition
Over 40,000 Catholics are said to have signed a petition for peace at Church doors. The final figure is expected to be over 75,000.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Provisional IRA says 'Fight goes on'
The Provisional IRA has said that the fight will go on and that secret talks that have gone on, over the last six months, will end. The statement issued in Dublin said that the introduction of special courts and



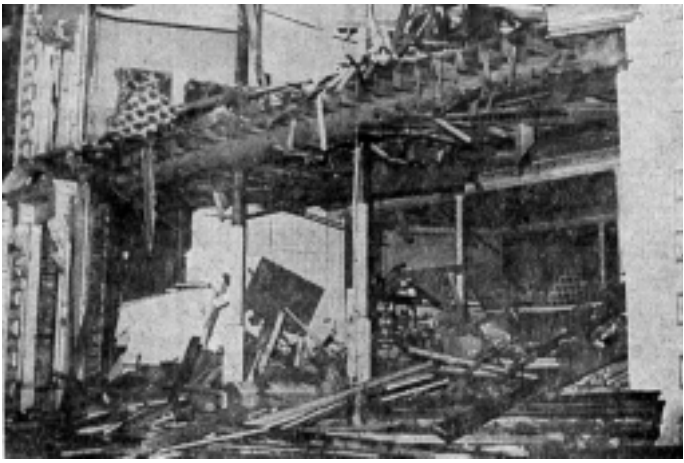
LEFT - The funeral of 12 year old Joan Scott who was shot dead in the Oldpark area of North Belfast

the Offences Against the State Act in the South have made it impossible for talks to continue. The Dublin Government was accused of collaborating with the British Government by arresting prominent Republicans. The statement went on to say that IRA leader Joe Cahill was arrested as he waited on a telephone call to arrange a meeting with American evangelist Dr. Billy Graham.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Soldiers killed in Fermanagh attack
Two soldiers have been killed when the IRA detonated a Claymore type land mine along the Fermanagh border. The mine, which was detonated from the southern side of the border, killed the two soldiers instantly. A third soldier received severe facial injuries and two more were taken to the Erne Hospital suffering from shock. The soldiers have been named as Gunner Victor Husband and Gunner Brian Robinson. The attack happened at Derryvolen, near Rosslea.
Forty minutes after the Rosslea blast soldiers in an armoured car had a miraculous escape when a land mine blew up, narrowly missing their vehicle.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Loyalist march for Derry
A march and rally has been organised by the 'City of Londonderry and Foyle Unionist Association' to demand an end to 'no-go' areas. The march, to be held on Saturday, is expected to draw thousands of unionists from all parts of the North and the organisers say that if there is any trouble the responsibility will rest with Mr Whitelaw and the Chief Superintendent of the RUC in Derry.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Bobby-trap van explodes
Two RUC men and a civilian have been injured when a van exploded without warning in the Shantallow area of Derry. The van, which was stolen in Northland Road was parked in Maybrook Park, a residential street off Racecourse Road,





TOP Bomb attack on Ballynahinch's Main Street.
BOTTOM - IRA bomb attack on commercial property in the York Road area

about 1½ miles from the city centre. The injured civilian is believed to be the van's owner who telephoned the RUC to say he had located the van but that its number plates had been changed. He went to the scene with the RUC men who became suspicious and called for the Army to investigate. The bomb exploded before he arrived. The Provisional IRA in Derry have stated that none of their units were involved in the attack.

A bomb has also extensively damaged a three-storey block of offices in Foyle Street. The explosives were planted in one of several offices in Commercial Buildings, only yards from the city's Guildhall.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Clydevalley is sold for scrap

After four years in Carrick harbour the Clydevalley is to be sold for scrap. Attempts were to turn the 85-year-old gun-running ship into a museum have failed due to lack of money.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Lenadoon gun attack

Shots have been fired from a passing car at civilians erecting metal sheeting at Lenadoon Army post in Belfast. The incident happened at around 1.20am. The Army say two shots were fired but there were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Shots fired in Oldpark area

A gunman has fired between 10 and 12 shots at either RUC men or Army personnel who were on duty on the Oldpark Road. The shots were fired from Gracehill Street. No one was injured. Soldiers returned fire.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Observation post attacked

Troops manning an observation post in Louisa Street have opened fire on a gunman seen at a house in Gracehill Street. A gunman was seen to fall but the soldiers are not claiming a hit.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Army rams car

Troops in an armoured personnel carrier have rammed a stolen car in the Finaghy Road North area, bringing it to a halt. Two youths were detained and the car, which had been knocked on to its side was later set on fire.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Sniper opens fire in Belfast

A single shot has been fired at the Albert Street Army post from the direction of Cullingtree Walk but there were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Art College attacked

The former College of Art in Hopefield Avenue, in the Antrim Road area has been damaged by fire. Extensive damage was done to three floors of the left wing and the RUC believe that the cause of the fire was malicious.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Loyalist prison protest

Between 50 and 70 people, many of them women and children, demonstrated outside Crumlin Road prison calling for political status for loyalists serving sentences there.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Stone throwing in Strabane

Three arrests have been made in Strabane in relation to stone throwing attacks on the RUC and Army. One of the attacks occurred in the Melmont Avenue area but no one was injured.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Milk churn bomb discovered

Soldiers from the Duke of Wellington Regiment have discovered a milk churn with wires leading from it concealed under a culvert. An Army bomb expert was called in and the churn, believed to contain 120lbs of explosives, was blown up in a nearby field.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Portadown arrests

The RUC made three arrests when they broke up a crowd of Protestant youths from the Edgarstown area who attempted to hi-jack vehicles and erect barricades.

Friday 2nd June 1972
GAA hall destroyed

A fire has destroyed the local GAA hall in Bellaghy.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Electricity pylon destroyed

An electricity pylon, situated about four miles from Draperstown, has been extensively damaged by an explosion but electricity supplies in the area were not affected.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Derry gun attack
A gunman has fired thirteen shots at the Bligh's Lane Army post and in a separate attack a single shot was fired at an observation post on the city's walls. There were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Boy injured by pipe-bomb
A six-year-old boy has been rushed to the City Hospital with a leg injury after a pipe bomb he and his brother picked up went off. The boy, from Rainey Street, was playing with his ten-year-old brother in Howard Street South when they picked up the device. The boys dropped it after it began to smoke

Friday 2nd June 1972
More Vanguard groups formed
250 people have attended a meeting in East Belfast which has resulted in the formation of fifteen more Vanguard associations. The new associations are Sydenham, Ballymacarrett, Orangefield, Braniel, Clarawood, Ballyhacamore, Bloomfield, Ormeau, Knocknagoney, Strandtown, Willowfield, Ravenhill, Castlereagh, Creagagh and Clonduff. The new associations will send representatives to the East Belfast Vanguard, which now comprises of about 60 such bodies.

Friday 2nd June 1972
Soldiers assault man
A court has heard that two soldiers assaulted a man while he was in custody because they thought he was a sniper. The soldiers, both privates in the Gloucester Regiment, are William Harvey Kelly aged 21 and Gordon Ellis, aged 22. Both men pleaded guilty to assault. The soldiers, along with an unidentified person assaulted the man who was drunk and had been arrested for causing a disturbance. The soldiers said that a close friend had been shot dead two weeks previous and they assaulted the man because they thought he had been brought in for sniping. They were each fined £25.

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Friday 2nd June 1972
Sinn Fein and IRA leaders arrested
Mr Rory Brady, president of Sinn Fein and Mr Joe Cahill, the Belfast IRA leader, have been remanded in custody on charges brought under the Offences Against the State Act. Brady is charged with being a member of the IRA, and being a member of an unlawful organisation which raises or maintains or attempts to raise or maintain a military or armed force. Cahill is charged with being a member of the IRA and with inciting persons to become members of an illegal organisation and to have control of firearms or ammunition with intent to enable members of an unlawful organisation to endanger life or cause serious injury to property, when he addressed a public meeting in Killarney in October.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Loyalists march in Derry
Masked men wearing military style uniforms were out in strength among the ranks of 15,000 loyalist supporters from throughout the North who took part in a march through the Waterside area of Derry. No incidents were reported as the massive parade moved off from the Irish Street Estate, where earlier contingents of masked Ulster defence Association members, Tartan gangs and other Vanguard supporters were drilled and formed up in ranks. The march was banned from crossing the Craigavon Bridge into the city centre.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
DUP parades
The Belfast executive of the Democratic Unionist Party has announced that they will hold two parades in

the city on Monday night. One parade will leave Donegal Avenue and the other Templemore Avenue. They will meet at the Ulster Hall where a rally is to be held. Among the speakers are Ian Paisley MP and Desmond Boal, the former Stormont MP for Shankill.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
IRA buries its dead
The IRA have been out on the streets of Belfast in force as two of its members who were killed in the Anderson Street explosion were buried. The two IRA men being buried were Joseph Fitzsimmons and Jackie McIlhone.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
British deny IRA talks offer
Suggestions by the Derry Command of the Provisional IRA that Mr Whitelaw told five women from the Creggan peace committee that he was prepared to meet the IRA's peace proposals were described by a government spokesman as being "completely without foundation."

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Possibility of IRA ceasefire says Evangelist
The evangelist, Billy Graham, has said that he had some evidence to "suspect and hope" that the Provisional IRA would follow the lead of the Officials and declare a ceasefire. Dr Graham, who was speaking at a press conference at Heathrow after his tour of the North, said that he had been approached through an intermediary to meet the IRA but refused to give details. During the course of his press conference Dr Graham stated that he did not want to be thought of as a seven day wonder. He had not presented a political formula for peace. He also pointed out that there was great debate at present among the leadership of the IRA and he said that the conflict was being falsely represented in America as a religious war. It was not between Catholics and Protestants.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Youth shot in Belfast
A 19-year-old youth has been shot in the stomach and hand when gunmen opened fire from a passing car in the Grosvenor Road area of Belfast. The attack happened close to Devonshire Street and the man is described as being seriously ill.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Gelignite found
Troops patrolling Bombay Street, Belfast, searched a derelict house after detecting a strong smell of gelignite. The explosives, believed to be 500lb of gelignite were in 5lb packages. The material was removed to a quarry on the outskirts of Belfast where it was destroyed in five controlled explosions.

BELOW AND FACING PAGE - IRA bomb attacks in Belfast's North Street



Saturday 3rd June 1972
Ammunition find
Men of the Royal Anglican Regiment, have uncovered 250 rounds of .45 and 9 mm ammunition during a search of a house in Peel Street.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Belfast shooting incidents
There have been a number of shootings in the Belfast area.
At around 1.00am a gunman was seen at Girwood Park in the Antrim Road area. Shots were fired but no hits were claimed.
In Divis Street a single shot was directed from the multi-storey complex, at soldiers of the Anglican Regiment. None of the soldiers were injured and fire was not returned.
Twelve shots were also directed at an observation post in a timber yard on the Springfield Road, No casualties were reported.
In Chief Street area of Ardoyne shots were fired at troops and soldiers spotted a gunman. No hits were reported.
Two shots were fired from a car at the Woodvale Parade-Woodvale Road junction. An RUC spokesman said that there was no apparent target and no one was injured in the attack.



Saturday 3rd June 1972
Vanguard leader in Bellaghy
Around 3,000 people attended the opening ceremony for a new Orange Hall in the village. The Vanguard leader William Craig was the guest speaker.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
New traffic measures
The RUC have made two new orders under the Special Powers Act. The new orders ban the use, waiting or leaving of unattended vehicles in a number of Belfast Streets. They also ban vehicles from entering existing pedestrians only areas between 11.00am and 6.00am the following day.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
GAA fire not malicious
The RUC have issued a statement in relation to the fire at Bellaghy GAA hall. It is now thought that the fire was accidental and not malicious as was originally thought.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Hunger striker enters 20th day
Fifteen men are believed to have entered their 40th day on hunger strike in Belfast Prison. A further 40 internees at Long Kesh have indicated to prison officials that they too will be joining the hunger strike.

Saturday 3rd June 1972
Traffic restrictions for Dungannon
The RUC have announced that the only traffic allowed to enter Dungannon's main square through one street – Thomas Street. The move is aimed at combating the bombers. Further restrictions may soon be announced.

Monday 5th June 1972
Whitelaw meets 'peace women'
The Secretary of State, Mr William Whitelaw, has made a surprise trip to Derry and is meeting, among others, the Bogside women who have been spearheading the peace movement there. The urgency of the visits reflects his anxiety to keep up the momentum of the peace campaign which developed from the shooting by the Official IRA of Ranger Best, and lead to a meeting at Stormont Castle between Mr. Whitelaw and five Derry women. Just before he left for Derry, Mr Whitelaw was handed a peace petition signed by 40,000 people from Catholic parts of Belfast.



Monday 5th June 1972
Derry bakery bombed
An explosion has ripped through Reid's bakery in Waterloo Place, in Derry. The bakery was evacuated and on one was injured in the attack. The explosion also damaged Littlewoods store and a butcher's shop.

Monday 5th June 1972
Ammunition find
An RUC woman has found a quantity of ammunition in Belfast city centre. The ammunition, 92 rounds of .22 ammunition was discovered in a box in Donegal Place.

Monday 5th June 1972
Teenager wounded in East Belfast
A 15-year-old teenager from the Beersbridge Road in Belfast has been wounded in an East Belfast shooting. The RUC are treating the incident, which happened in a flat on the Beersbridge Road as an "accidental shooting". The boy condition is said to be "ill" and he is being treated for a gunshot wound to the head.

Monday 5th June 1972
Loyalists to hold protest in Derry
Another loyalist rally has been planned to protest against the existence of "no-go" areas in Derry. The protest, which is being organised by the Londonderry Association of the Democratic Unionist Party, is to be held in the Diamond on Saturday.

LEFT - Manor Street in North Belfast after an 8 hour gun battle

Monday 5th June 1972
Two men wounded in New Lodge
Two men have been shot in the New Lodge are of Belfast when a gunman fired two busts of fire from a car, which the RUC say was travelling countrywards along North Queen Street. One man was in a group of three men who were standing at the corner of Great George's Street and the second man was standing at the corner of Lancaster Street. Both men were Catholics.

Monday 5th June 1972
Observation post attacked
A gunman has opened fire on an Army observation post at Lenadoon Avenue in the Suffolk area of Belfast. The Army say that fifteen shots were directed at the post but there were no military casualties. The area was searched but nothing was found.

Monday 5th June 1972
Belfast shooting incidents
Soldiers have come under fire in several sporadic shooting incidents in West Belfast. In one incident, a patrol was fired on at the junction of the Whiterock Road, but no one was injured. Two shots were also reported to have been fired at Mayo Street, off the Springfield Road, but these have not been confirmed by the RUC.

Monday 5th June 1972
Shots fired from car
Three shots have been fired into Linview Street, off the Grosvenor Road, from a passing car. No one was injured and the target is not known.



Monday 5th June 1972
Prison protest
Loyalist supporters have staged a protest demonstration outside Belfast Prison against the imprisonment of Protestants and the "no-go" areas.

Monday 5th June 1972
UDR soldier wounded
A UDR soldier has been wounded when his two vehicle patrol came under heavy automatic fire. The Army have said that more than 50 rounds of ammunition were directed at the eight-man patrol and that the soldier received a flesh wound. Spent cases from a M1 carbine have been discovered at the scene.

Monday 5th June 1972
Antrim's High Street bombed
Serious damaged has been caused to many of the buildings in Antrim's High Street, when a car bomb exploded outside Hall's Hotel. The car had been stolen earlier in Magherafelt and two people were treated for cuts and shock at Masserene Hospital.

Monday 5th June 1972
Heavy RUC presence in Portadown
Following trouble in Portadown on Saturday, the RUC have been out in strength in Portadown. Stone throwing took place during minor confrontations and a Bookies shop was broken into.

Monday 5th June 1972
Bomb at Kilkeel
A small gelignite bomb has exploded at two fuel tanks owned by Killkeel Fisheries, at Kilkeel harbour. No damage was caused.

Monday 5th June 1972
Republican addresses Mass-goers
A Derry Republican seized the microphone at the end of mass in a local church in Derry. Mr Barney McFadden, a leading member of Sinn Fein, addressed the congregation, and accused the priest, Father William Rafferty, of making a political speech instead of a sermon and said that the IRA in the Bogside had the right to answer from the same platform. About 200 of the 1,000 strong stayed behind to listen and there was some clapping.

Monday 5th June 1972
Sniper kills man in Belfast
Twenty-six-year-old Gerard Murray has been shot dead while checking a shop in Annesley Street, off the Antrim Road. Mr Murray, a Catholic, died instantly when a gunman who was hiding in the shadows fired five shots at him. Mr

Murray, who lived in Lisburn, was a married man.

Monday 5th June 1972
Catholic owned bar is bombed
Fifty people have been injured when a 100lb car bomb exploded outside the Catholic owned Britannia Bar just before 10.00 pm. Local people are reported to have seen a youth run away from the Morris 1100 car seconds before it exploded, causing extensive damage to the public house and breaking hundreds of windows in the area. The RUC have said that a motorist who stopped to help after the blast was badly beaten after it was discovered that he was a Protestant. He is seriously ill in hospital.

Monday 5th June 1972
UDA barricades
Protestant barricades went up early on Sunday morning at Portadown, Derry, Bangor, Ballymena and Coagh. At many of the barricades hooded and masked UDA men checked vehicles before allowing them to proceed. At Coagh, the four main roads around the village were sealed off by around 100 UDA men. All the Protestant barricades came down voluntarily on Sunday night



LEFT - Hall's Hotel, Antrim, after a car bomb attack

Monday 5th June 1972
Sinn Fein arrests
Sinn Fein (Kevin Street) the political wing of the Provisional IRA have decided to appoint David O'Connell as president pending the release of Rory O'Brady who has been arrested by security forces in the South. Belfast Republican Maire Drumm and Eamon MacThomas will act as joint chairmen and Maria Maguire will act as Director of Publicity.

Monday 5th June 1972
Cross border gun battle
A cross border gun-battle has taken place at Clady, Strabane. Reports suggest that the gunmen have been pined down on the Southern side of the border.

Monday 5th June 1972
IRA ceasefire date
Sean MacStiofain, Chief of Staff of the Provisional IRA has denied in a statement, reports that the 10th June has been fixed as a date for an IRA ceasefire.

Monday 5th June 1972
RUC man charged with murder
A Belfast RUC man has been charged with the attempted murder of a second man. Det Con Walter McKinney who has already been charged with the murder of Albert

Reid, of Silvio Street, outside a pub at Northumberland Street.
The second charge, of attempted murder, relates to the same incident.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
MPs' car is hi-jacked
Six Westminster Labour MP's who were on a visit to West Belfast to meet relatives of internees had one of their locally hired cars hi-jacked as they met with the relatives. Three men approached the chauffeurs, who were sitting together in one car and produced handguns and took one of the cars. It was driven off in the direction of the Springfield Road.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
75 internees released
Seventy-five internees are to be released from Long Kesh. This will bring the total number of internees and detainees released by the Secretary of State to 470. There are 338 internees and 128 detainees still being held.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
IRA men arrested in New Lodge
Three important IRA men, captured in the New Lodge area, are being questioned by security forces. One of them is believed to be the Officer Commanding, the 3rd Battalion; a second is the O/C of 'A' Company, of the same battalion and the third is Adjutant of 'A' Company

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Shot fired during robbery
A shot has been fired during a hold-up at Broadway Post Office in Belfast's Falls Road. The shot was fired into a wall by one of three men but no one was injured. The car was later abandoned in Fruithill Park.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
MacStiofain denies cease-fire reports
The Chief of Staff of the Provisional IRA, in one of the few statements since he left his home in Navan to go into hiding has denied a report that the 10th June had been set as a







TOP AND MIDDLE - Members of the UDA checking cars entering Bangor's Kilcooley Estate.
BOTTOM - Masked members of the UDA search a man at a check point

date for an IRA ceasefire. He said that the Republican leadership was not split over the issue of a ceasefire, nor was a date for one set. He said that the decision regarding a ceasefire remains the same – a three point peace plan issued by the IRA in March would have to be accepted by the British Government before they would suspend offensive operations.

Detectives investigating the blast which killed eight people in Anderson Street in East Belfast believed the bomb was destined for a nearby RUC barracks but exploded prematurely. Four IRA members were among the dead.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Shots fired in New Lodge area
Paratroopers have detained eight men in the New Lodge area of Belfast whom they claim are members of the Provisional IRA. One soldier was hit in the hand when gunmen fired towards his position at the junction of the New Lodge Road and Antrim Road. He was not seriously injured. Troops also came under fire when eight shots were directed towards a mobile patrol at Sussex Street from the New Lodge Road. Two minutes later a further three shots were fired at the patrol but there were no casualties. Between 15 and 20 shots were also fired from Artillery Flats. The Army returned one shot but there were no injuries.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Foot patrol attacked in Ballymurphy
Two shots have been fired at a foot patrol in Ballymurphy Road and rubber bullets fired in Estorial Park at Ardoyne. No one was injured.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Bomb in pram
A sentry post in the Broadway area of Belfast has been attacked by the IRA. The attack, which took place at around 8.00 pm, started when around 20 single shots and a burst of machinegun fire were directed at the post. As this was done a pram containing a 50lb bomb was pushed towards it. A sentry later noticed the smell of a burning fuse and on investigation discovered the pram with its fuse burned out.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Man wounded in Ardoyne
A 60-year-old man from Crumlin Street has been wounded in the leg by a ricocheting bullet which gunmen had intended for troops. He was taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital but his injuries are not said to be serious.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Belfast attacks
Blast bombs have been thrown across the Crumlin Road near Herbert Street after rival crowds clashed. Shots were also fired at Oldpark RUC Barracks and a sentry returned fire.
In Andersonstown Army posts at Ramoan Gardens and also at the Springfield Road came under gunfire. No one was injured in the attacks.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Youth shot in Portadown
A youth has been shot and five RUC men and a civilian injured during clashes in Portadown. The incidents flared as troops moved into separate rival crowds in Corcrain Road. Around 150 people were involved on each side. A Land Rover was heavily stoned and then came under automatic fire from the same position. A second burst of machinegun fire was directed at the RUC from a different location. A 17-year-old youth was hit on the leg. He was taken to hospital but was not seriously injured. None of the RUC men were injured.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Gunman shot on Border
Troops have claimed to have shot a gunman on the Tyrone-Donegal border. Fifteen shots were fired from a farmhouse in Donegal and when fire was returned one man was seen to fall. The shooting stopped when a Garda patrol car arrived.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Shots fired in Derry
Six shots have been fired in the Rosemount area of Derry. Unconfirmed reports claim they came from the direction of Helen Street. No one was injured in the attack.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Bomb was destined for RUC barracks
Detectives investigating the blast which killed eight people in Anderson Street in East Belfast believed the bomb was destined for a

nearby RUC barracks but exploded prematurely. Four IRA members were among the dead.

Tuesday 6th June 1972
UDI is Balderdash says Paisley
Ian Paisley MP has said that talk of an Independent Ulster was stupid and utter balderdash he said that "People should be demanding total integration into the UK."

Tuesday 6th June 1972
Carry ID's says new advertisements
A series of TV and newspaper advertisements issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs is calling on all drivers to carry driving licences and car log books in order to speed up roadblocks.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Hunger-striker escapes
A hunger-strike prisoner, who was in intensive care in the Mater Hospital, Belfast, has escaped. The man 30-year-old Robert Campbell from the New Lodge Road had been serving 11 years for robbery.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Sniper kills soldier
A soldier has been shot dead in the Andersonstown area of Belfast. The ambush happened as a military patrol was travelling near the junction of Tullymore Gardens and Rossnareen Avenue. The shots were believed to have come from Kennard Avenue and the soldier was gravely wounded. He died a short time later in hospital. The dead soldier has been named as 29-year-old Sergeant Charles Edward Coleman who was a member of the 2nd Field regiment Royal Artillery.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
50 internees freed without warning
Fifty internees have been released from Long Kesh bringing the total to 125 freed in the last two days.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Golf club bombed
Strabane golf club has been wrecked by a bomb shortly before 10.00am. Four men planted the 30lb bomb in the building which was closed at the time. An army patrol has found a booby trap bomb not far from the Derry-Donegal border. Wires lead to a deserted house at Braehead. The device was later dismantled.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Guns found in Belfast
Troops have seized arms and ammunition when they searched a block of flats in the New Lodge area. The weapons, a .45 revolver and 9 mm pistol were found in a ventilator shaft in Alanbrooke House.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Three hour gun battle in Belfast
British soldiers and the IRA fought a three hour battle in Belfast. More than 200 shots were fired by at least six gunmen, using automatic weapons and rifles in the New Lodge area of Belfast. One gunman is thought to have been hit.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Soldiers shot in gun attack
A soldier was hit in the left arm and a housewife was injured when gunmen opened fire on soldiers in the Artillery Flats area of the New Lodge Road.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Single bullet strikes three soldiers
Three soldiers have been injured when a single shot penetrated their Army vehicle. It is thought that all three soldiers were wounded when a single shot penetrated an Army vehicle in Divis Street.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Broadway Army post attacked
Twenty shots have been fired from the Falls Road towards Broadway army observation post. Some of the bullets ricocheted and hit a nearby nurses' home. A bomb has also been thrown at the post later in the day and a mobile patrol came under gunfire at the junction of the M1 motorway and Donegal Road.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Arms find in Andersonstown
Troops carrying out a search at Cavanmore Gardens in the Andersonstown area have discovered a .38 revolver, one .22 rifle, one .303 rifle and a Steyr rifle, along with a telescopic sight and 190 rounds of ammunition

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Soldier shot dead in Ballymurphy
A soldier has been shot dead while on foot patrol in the Ballymurphy area of Belfast. The dead soldier has been named as Pte George Ivan

Lee, aged 22, from Leeds. He was serving with the Duke of Wellington Regiment and was hit in the neck by a bullet as snipers fired from a house.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
UDR man shot in Derry
A 45-year-old UDR man has been shot and seriously wounded on the outskirts of Derry.

The soldier, named as Edward McGaghey, was a member of the UDR's 6th Battalion and was the front seat passenger, in the last of three Land Rovers on their way to relieve soldiers at a check point.





Wednesday 7th June 1972
Mystery blast
There has been a mystery explosion in the Pennyburn area of Derry, but and army spokesman said that the location of the explosion had not been traced.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Shots fired in Craigavon Bridge
Three shots have been fired at troops on Craigavon Bridge from the Waterside area of Derry. The attack happened around 2.00am and no one was injured. Two shots have also been fired at the Bligh's Lane post from the Beechwood Avenue area but casualties have been reported

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Car bomb explodes in Lurgan
Two shops have been wrecked and many others damaged when a car bomb exploded in Lurgan at the junction of High Street and Moore's Lane. Two shops, McKerr's hardware store and a coffee shop were destroyed. The bomb is estimated to be between 100 and 150lb of gelignite.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Bomb in schoolbag
Wellworth's store in the centre of Dungannon has been severely damaged after a school bag bomb exploded and started a fire. The store was evacuated after an anonymous phone call and no-one was injured.

TOP - Car bomb attack on the Britannia Bar, Newtownards Road
BOTTOM - Loyalist parade in the Irish Street Estate, Derry

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Catholic's intimidated
The RUC in Portadown have said they are investigating complaints from Catholics in the Jervais Street area about alleged intimidation.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Electricity pylon bombed
Electricity supplies in Tyrone have been disrupted after a explosion has brought down an electricity pylon between Pomeroy and Carrickmore.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Arms raid
Three raiders have held up a woman in a house in Swatragh and stole a single barrelled shotgun and a .22 rifle. The woman was not injured.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Malicious fire at Dundrum
The RUC have said that a fire which has damaged the bay Inn at Dundrum was started maliciously.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
MP's car recovered
Shots have been fired at troops in Belfast after they recovered the hi-jacked car which belonged to a party of Westminster MP's who were on tour of the Falls. No one was injured.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
UDR man accused of attempted murder
An Ulster Defence Regiment permanent staff instructor has appeared in court charged with two attempted murders. The men, from North Link, Andersonstown and Brookmount Street were shot at the premises of the Ace Taxi firm. He was remanded in custody.

Wednesday 7th June 1972
Farmer shot in kneecaps
A 24-year-old county Louth Farmer has been found shot on a road at Mounthill, Crossmaglen. The man, it is reported, was striped to the waist before tar was poured over him. He was then shot.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Shadow cabinet minister resigns
The former Minister of Commerce, Mr Robin Bailie, has resigned from Mr Faulkner's shadow Cabinet and is also to quit as MP for Newtownabbey. He said that he saw his role as lying "outside the realm of party politics, free from outworn titles and from institutions which no longer function."

Thursday 8th June 1972
McGurk's Bar bomb still a mystery
A Forensic expert has told Belfast Coroner's Court that because debris was so disturbed during the rescue operation at McGurk's Bar, it has been impossible to say whether the bomb exploded outside or inside the porch of the building.

The jury was directed to return an open verdict on the victims of the explosion on 4th December, eight of whom died from crush asphyxia, three from burns, one from blast and crushing and one from carbon monoxide poisoning.


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Thursday 8th June 1972
Bomb explodes on Fermanagh border

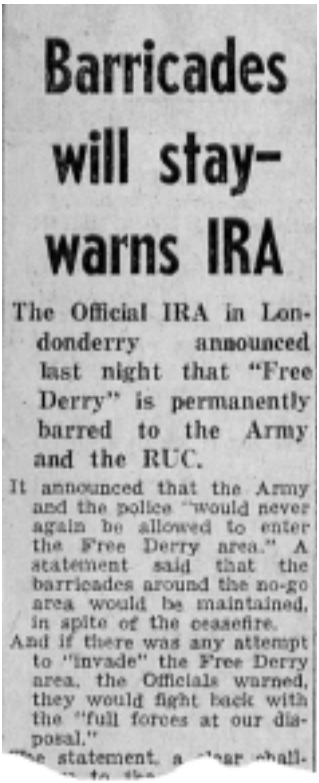
A Gardai inspector and an Irish army lieutenant have been injured when a bomb exploded on a Fermanagh border road. The blast occurred at Legakelly, on the section of road connecting the towns of Cavan and Clones. It is understood the Garda removed a hoax bomb from the roadway by pulling a string found attached to a box on the southern side of the border. When he attempted to remove a second box, also thought to be a hoax, it exploded injuring both men. The boxes had been placed inside the North and the British Army were aware of them but according to a spokesman they exploded "mysteriously" before they reached the scene.

Thursday 8th June 1972
18 freed from Long Kesh

Eighteen detainees have been released from Long Kesh as Mr William Whitelaw continued his review and release procedure. This is the third consecutive day in which men held under the Special Powers Act have been released. 401 people continue to be held in Long Kesh. Since direct rule a total of 538 internees and detainees have been set free.

Thursday 8th June 1972
1000 derelict houses searched

Soldiers have searched almost 1,000 derelict houses in the Falls area of Belfast for arms, explosives and munitions. The search by the Royal Anglican Regiment, backed



Barricades will stay– warns IRA

The Official IRA in Londonderry announced last night that "Free Derry" is permanently barred to the Army and the RUC.

It announced that the Army and the police "would never again be allowed to enter the Free Derry area." A statement said that the barricades around the no-go area would be maintained, in spite of the ceasefire.

And if there was any attempt to "invade" the Free Derry area, the Officials warned, they would fight back with the "full forces at our disposal."

The statement, a clear chall-

up by Royal engineers uncovered a .22 rifle, a detonator, a bayonet and a few gas masks. At the end of the search, which covered hundred of houses in the lower Falls redevelopment area, an armoured car came under attack from a gunman. Two shots were fired at it at the Falls Road-Cupar Street junction, but no-one was hurt.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Bomb devastates Lurgan

Three shops have been demolished and others damaged when a car bomb ripped through Market Street, Lurgan, just after midnight. The bomb s estimated to have contained 150lbs of explosives and had been left in a car in an entry off High Street. After the explosion a gang of between 300-400 Protestants set fire to a Catholic owned shop and two houses belonging to Catholics were also attacked.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Newcastle Urban Council offices bombed

A 100lb bomb has exploded at the offices off Newcastle urban council. The blast completely wrecked the building. Army experts are examining the scene for a second device.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Gunman shot in Belfast

Soldiers think they may have shot two gunmen during shooting incidents in Ardoyne. One was seen to stagger after fire was returned when two shots were fired from Jamaica Street at a mobile patrol. A second gunman was later thought to have been hit after he opened fire from Brompton Park. Three women were treated for shock after a bullet entered their home. Shots were also fired at a gunman in Chief Street but he was not thought to have been hit

Thursday 8th June 1972
Man punished in Belfast

A man had paint poured over him in Divismore Crescent. He was taken from his house and tied to a lamp post before the feathering.

FACING PAGE - Members of the UDA march in Derry

THREE SHOT IN DAY OF TURMOIL

Thursday 8th June 1972
Loyalist prison protests
Around 1,000 loyalists have demonstrated outside Crumlin Road Prison for almost two hours. About 700 members of East Belfast Defence Association were joined by 200 from the Woodvale Defence Association. Members of the UDA in paramilitary dress marched in the procession.

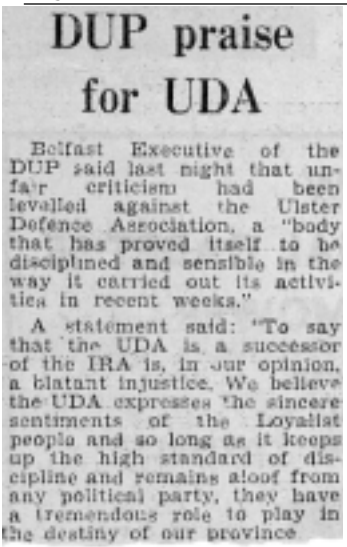
Thursday 8th June 1972
Robbery in East Belfast
The Northern Wine Company in Woodstock Road has been held up by three men, two of whom were armed with revolvers. They took an undisclosed sum of money.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Foot patrol attacked in Armagh
A four man foot patrol of the Gordon Highlanders has come under a petrol bomb and gun fire attack in Armagh. He petrol bomb was tossed from the window of the first car and four revolver shots were fired from a second car. An Army spokesman said that one round was fired by them at the gunman in the second car. He was seen to slum forward.

Thursday 8th June 1972
UDR patrol uncovers bomb
A UDR patrol has discovered a 300lb bomb beside the telephone exchange in Newtownstewart. The exchange is located around 50 yards from the local RUC barracks. Army bomb disposal experts worked for two hours before finally defusing the bomb.

Thursday 8th June 1972
New Loyalist group in East Antrim
A new group, the Antrim Loyalist Front, has been formed in the East Antrim area. The group intend to hold protests against what they de-





DUP praise for UDA

Belfast Executive of the DUP said last night that unfair criticism had been levelled against the Ulster Defence Association, a "body that has proved itself to be disciplined and sensible in the way it carried out its activities in recent weeks."

A statement said: "To say that the UDA is a successor of the IRA is, in our opinion, a blatant injustice. We believe the UDA expresses the sincere sentiments of the Loyalist people and so long as it keeps up the high standard of discipline and remains aloof from any political party, they have a tremendous role to play in the destiny of our province.

scribe as the presence of "armed IRA sentries, checkpoint units and patrols in Ulster." The protests will not involve the setting up of no-go areas but simply be a display of disciplined check-points, guard details and "duck patrols" in loyalist areas.

Thursday 8th June 1972
Workman shot dead
A workman has been shot dead at flats under construction at Peter's Hill, Belfast. The Army were not involved in the incident but say that one shot was fired from a "southerly" direction.

Friday 9th June 1972
Europa Hotel bombed
A bomb has exploded inside Belfast's biggest hotel, the Europa. The blast was the first inside the building. Initially it was thought that the device, which was found inside a ladies lavatory, contained around 100 to 150lbs of explosives but it turned out to be much smaller. The bomb punched a huge hole in a wall next to the railway and did minor damage to the rest of the building.

Friday 9th June 1972
Home made bomb
A bomb has exploded in a van parked outside the Everton Bar, at the corner of Everton Street and the Crumlin Road. The bomb, estimated to have contained around 250lb of home made explosives. The building was raised to the ground but chemical bombs did not have the same blasting power as the gelignite which is normally used.

Friday 9th June 1972
Bombs at Belfast City Hall
Two parcel bombs, which have been discovered in Belfast City Hall hours before a loyalist rally, have been detonated by the Army. The explosions caused only minor damage. The bombs are estimated to have contained between 5 and 10lbs of gelignite. Just before the explosions a group of 40 loyalist women started marching up Royal Avenue, led buy a woman wearing a stocking mask and a "UDA type cap." The rally, which was to protest against the Whitelaw administration was being organised by the Ulster Constitution Party.

BELOW - Wellworth's Store in Market Square, Dungannon after a bomb exploded.
FACING PAGE - Car bomb attack on Lurgan's High Street



Friday 9th June 1972
Army blows up car
The Army has blown up a hi-jacked car outside St Malachy's Catholic Church in Lower Irish Street, Armagh. It is understood that the car which had been hi-jacked earlier had not been booby-trapped.

Friday 9th June 1972
Faulkner dismisses idea of Protestant backlash
Unionist leader, Mr Brian Faulkner, has dismissed the possibility that a Protestant back-lash is in process and said that he knew of no evidence that arms are being used outside the ranks of the IRA. Asked at a news conference about unexplained killings of Catholics. He said "I have no reason to suppose that it is the work of any body other than the IRA." Mr Faulkner stated that the Unionist Party had no involvement as such with the Vanguard movement or the paramilitary Ulster Defence Association. He added "I know nothing of Mr Craig being involved in any paramilitary organisation… I have heard of the Ulster Defence Association. I have seen pictures of it. Other than that I know absolutely nothing about it.

Friday 9th June 1972
Man shot dead on building site
The man shot dead by a sniper as he worked on a building site at Peter's Hill has been named as 19-year-old Norman Campbell, a Catholic from the Turf Lodge area of Belfast. Mr. Campbell was to be married in five weeks time to a Protestant girl from the Shankill.



Friday 9th June 1972
UDR man dies
The UDR man shot in Derry on Tuesday has died in hospital. He has been named as 44-year-old Pte Edward Megahey, of Drumquin, County Tyrone. He was shot in the head by a sniper on the Buncrana Road as his patrol went to relieve a road block.

Friday 9th June 1972
Woman shot dead on Glen Road
A 24-year-old woman, Mrs Jean Smith, of Tardree Park, Andersonstown has been shot dead at Glen Road bus terminus. The dead woman was in a taxi shortly before midnight when shots rang out and the 1100 car in which she was travelling was struck. Mrs Smith was shot in the head and died instantly.

Friday 9th June 1972
Military attacked
A Royal Anglican patrol has come under fire at Dunville Park, Falls Road, just after 9.00pm. The soldiers returned fire at two men and hit one of them. The second man made his escape down Dunville Street, firing a burst of automatic fire at the soldiers. Some time later a youth was brought to hospital in a car which had been hi-jacked earlier. He was treated for gunshot wounds.

Friday 9th June 1972
Garda killed in bomb explosion
The Garda inspector, who was injured when as he investigated reports that bombs had been left at the border close to Newtownbutler, has

died in Cavan Hospital. He has been named as 61-year-old father of six, Samuel Donegan. He is the first member of the South's security forces to be killed. It is now thought the bomb may have been radio detonated. Both the Official and Provisional IRA have denied responsibility for the explosion.

Friday 9th June 1972
UDR private seriously ill
A UDR private has been seriously injured when gunmen opened up from two positions on a mobile patrol travelling along the Armagh-Middletown road. The two vehicle patrol had just reached to outskirts of Armagh when about 20-30 shots were fired. The shot which hit the soldier also shattered the rear windscreen of the vehicle.

Friday 9th June 1972
Belfast gun attacks
During a fifteen minute period around 11.30pm, twelve shots and four blast bombs were fired at soldiers in the Andersonstown and Ballymurphy areas of Belfast. Fire was returned on three occasions.

Friday 9th June 1972
Military patrol attacked
Shots were fired at a military patrol in Mulhouse Street but fire was not returned and no casualties were reported.

Friday 9th June 1972
Blast bombs thrown
One soldier was slightly injured when three blast bombs were thrown at a mobile patrol in the Lower Falls area of Belfast.

Friday 9th June 1972
Baton rounds used
Troops used baton rounds against youths who were said to be attempting to roll barrels on to the M1 motorway at Finaghy Road North.

Friday 9th June 1972
Explosion on Donegal Road
An explosion in the Donegal Road area of Belfast has not been traced. It is thought it may have been caused by a blast bomb.

Friday 9th June 1972
Armed robbery in Shankill
Two youths armed with revolvers have escaped with an undisclosed sum of money after holding up staff at a wine stone in Snugville Street in the Shankill Road area of Belfast.





Hunger strike escapee poses security riddle

Friday 9th June 1972
Paratroopers in arms find
Paratroopers have discovered 50 shotgun cartridges and six rounds of ammunition during a search of Duncairn Parade in the New Lodge area.

Friday 9th June 1972
Derry gun attacks
Shots have been heard in the vicinity of Waterside railway station. It is thought that they were meant for an army patrol in Spencer Road. Four single shots were heard in the Brandywell but the target was unknown. Sometime later another six shots were heard in the same area but the target remained unidentified.

Friday 9th June 1972
IRA admits bombings
The Provisional IRA has claimed responsibility for bombing Strabane Golf Club because it is frequented by the RUC and Special Branch. In their statement they warned that they were not prepared to accept fraternisation being extended to the RUC, UDR and British Army by certain public houses and business premises in Strabane.

Friday 9th June 1972
Alarm at possible deal with IRA
The South Antrim Association of the Alliance Party has said that Press speculation about a possible deal between the British Government and the Provisional IRA must be viewed "with the greatest alarm." The association said that the IRA and Vanguard should put their policies to the test at the ballot box when the time comes and they also called for an early referendum on the border issue.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Loyalists out in force
Thousands of Loyalists have marched in military style through Belfast and in Derry a Democratic Unionist Party Protest was held at The Diamond. Other Loyalist demonstrations were held at Banbridge and Limavady.

Saturday 10th June 1972
UDA Barricades
Cars buses and lorries have been used to block dozens of streets in Belfast and masked members of the Ulster Defence Association operated their own security checks by



FACING PAGE - Clearing up after a bomb attack in Antrim.
RIGHT - Bomb attack at the Kensington Bakery, Lurgan

searching everyone who passed through their barriers. Bus services were cancelled and business was at a standstill as thousands of shoppers avoided coming into the city centre. Extra troops have patrolled the city's streets. During the day the Northbound carriageway of the M1 was blocked between Stockman's Lane and Donegal Road. The combined activity has added up to one of the tensest days in the North since the current troubles began.

Overnight Protestants began erecting barricades at Shankill Road, Sandy Row, Donegal Pass, North Belfast, Ravenhill Road, Newtownards Road, Shore Road, Highfield Estate, Carrickfergus, Lurgan, Ballymena, Bangor and Greenisland. The largest single barricade was at the Woodvale Road-Ballygomartin Road where at least two dozen cars, trucks and a Post Office van blocked the road. Park seats were used in some areas as barricades and in others, double-decker buses were jammed across roads at various points. Masked members of the UDA, armed with pick axe handles and bin lids, were at every point, standing on street corners, stopping cars, and even operating a mobile patrol in a black Land Rover with no registration plates.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Car curfew in Falls

The Official IRA has hit out at the Provisionals for imposing a car curfew in the Lower Falls Road area. The officials attack came after the Provisionals distributed leaflets warning that anyone driving into the area was "liable to be shot by active service units." They said that this was necessary to prevent repetition of the Anderson Street bomb in which eight people died.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Whitelaw jostled in Lurgan

Mr William Whitelaw, the Secretary of State, has been jostled and pushed by angry crowds when he visited bomb damage in the Lurgan town centre. The crowd were protesting about a lack of security. Mr Whitelaw was taken away in an Army and Rover.

Saturday 10th June 1972
16-year-old girl killed

A 16-year-old girl has been killed and three other people injured when gunmen opened fire on civilians from Burnaby Street-Roden Street in the Grosvenor Road area of Belfast. The dead girl has been named as Marion Brown from Stanhope Street. Troops fired at the gunmen but did not report any hits.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Two wounded in Belfast

Thirty shots have been fired at the Army post at Neely Street, off Roden Street. Two 19-year-old civilians, a youth and a girl, were caught in the exchange of fire as they stood in nearby Excise Street. The soldiers returned fire and claimed to have made one hit.

Saturday 10th June 1972
UDR corporal shot dead

A UDR man has been shot dead as he drove his car out of the Autolite factory at Finaghy Road North. Reports suggest that a youth ran out in front of his car and fired five pistol shots at the soldier. The UDR man was killed and two women passengers were injured. He has been named as Corporal Roy Stanton, of 'D' Company, 9 UDR.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Three men shot from passing cars

Three men have been taken to hospital after being shot from a passing cars in the Lower Falls and Andersonstown areas of Belfast. The security forces were not involved in the shootings.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Gunman shot by troops

Troops in the Black Mountain Army post in the Upper Springfield Road area have claimed two hits when they returned fire at gunmen shooting from the direction of Springhill Avenue.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Gunman shot on Kashmir Road

The 3rd Royal Anglican Regiment have reported that soldiers from one of their units fired on a gunman in an alleyway off the Kashmir Road. He man was heard to scream as he fell and was dragged away by a second man. The patrol waited in the area and observed an ambulance arriving at a house in Cawnpore Street. A man was found there suffering from gunshot wounds. Two M1 carbines, which were loaded with dum-dum bullets, one pistol and 76 rounds of ammunition were later found in the area.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Rubber bullets
Rubber bullets have been fired at a crowd of stone throwing youths at the junction of Ballygomartin and West Circular roads.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Arson attacks
Roddy's Bar on the Ormeau Road and a hair-dressing salon on the Woodstock Road have both been damaged in overnight arson attacks.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Bomb at golf club
A bomb has exploded in the locker rooms at the City of Derry Golf Club. Around 30 people were the club buildings, which are located 15-20 yards away, when the bomb went off. No one was injured.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Tailor's dummy used in bomb attack
A bomb has exploded outside the Inland Revenue Office at West Bridge in Enniskillen. The bomb was concealed in a car, which had a tailors dummy in the car to give the impression that it was occupied and therefore not raise suspicions. Windows in a 100 yard radius were broken and a nearby car showroom was damaged. No one was injured in the attack.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Sinn Fein picket
More than 150 Sinn Fein supporters have picketed the home of the southern Prime Minister, Mr Jack Lynch, protesting at the jailing of Republicans by the Dublin Govern

A written reply to the Commons has revealed that 19 soldiers have been killed and 121 others wounded in the North between 30th March and 8th June. Two members of the UDR have been killed and ten wounded in the same period.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Derry bomb attacks
Bombs have exploded at a plant belonging to a concrete firm at Corrody in Derry and at a paint store in Altnagelvin. Minor damage was caused in the attacks.

Saturday 10th June 1972
Gun battle at Bligh's Lane
The Army believe that may have hit two gunmen during a fifteen minute attack on Bligh's lane Army post. Around 70 shots were fired from two different locations. There were several other gun attacks in the city during the night but no casualties were reported.

ment. A letter of protest was handed in by 92-year-old Mr Joseph Clarke. The protestors who then walked back to Sinn Fein's Kevin Street office carried placards containing the words "Long Kesh broke Faulkner and the Curragh will break Lynch."

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Monday 12th June 1972
Derry's Guildhall bombed
Six men carrying plastic bins containing bombs have entered the Guildhall in Derry after a seventh man held up security staff with a revolver. The bombs, containing around 200lb of explosives blew off the roof and caused severe structural damage to the 80-year-old building has been devastated by bombs. Debris and slates were hurled over a 100 yard radius.

Monday 12th June 1972
Soldiers use rocket launcher in Lisburn
A bomb containing 50lb of explosives in Lisburn has demolished the Top Hat ballroom and close by a second bomb, estimated to contain 100lb of explosives has been discovered under the rear seat of the blue 1100 car. Troops used a rocket launcher against the car in an attempt to defuse the bomb. A Soldier, mounted on the raised platform of an EBNI hydraulic truck fired a shell from the launcher, which while striking the car through the windscreen and lodged itself in the rear seat, did not defuse the bomb. The car was then set on fire.

Monday 12th June 1972
Shot soldier dies in Belfast
A Welsh soldier, 24-year-old Lance-Corporal Alan John Giles, from Cardiff has died in hospital after being shot in the head during a fierce gun battle in the Ardoyne area of Belfast. The dead man's father flew to Belfast and was at his bedside when he died.

Last warning on security as...
UDA BARRIERS RING BELFAST

Monday 12th June 1972
RUC man loses an eye
A 23-year-old member of the RUC has lost an eye and received severe facial wounds in a bomb attack at a booby trapped house at Newtownbutler. He was investigating a suspect bomb, along with a companion when the device detonated.

Monday 12th June 1972
Two killed in Lurgan
The identity of two men who have been shot dead at a hall at Donacloney near Lurgan, have not been released by the RUC.

Monday 12th June 1972
Bank robbed in Newry
Two armed raiders have entered the Northern Bank in Hill Street, Newry and robbed it of an estimated £5,000. One man is said to have carried a submachine gun and the other was armed with a revolver. No one was hurt in the raid.

Monday 12th June 1972
Arms find in Oldpark
Troops have seized nine guns and more than 100 rounds of ammunition in the Oldpark area of Belfast. The weapons were discovered in the wake of a major gun battle in the area in which three people died. The Army have not revealed if the weapons were found in the Catholic or Protestant part of the district.

Monday 12th June 1972
Victims buried
The funerals of Mrs Jean Smyth of Tardree Park, Andersonstown, who was shot on the Glen Road; Norman Campbell, of Turf lodge who was shot dead at Upper Townsend Street and UDR Corporal Roy Stanton, have all taken place.

BELOW - UDA members block the Woodstock Road



Monday 12th June 1972
Riot area children go to country
Friends and neighbours of a Dungannon women's organisation, which was formed in May, has undertaken its first major project, when they entertained 40 children from Belfast's troubled areas to a day in the country. The children, aged between 7 and 11 had pony rides, swimming and a min disco as well as field games.

Monday 12th June 1972
Town centre sealed off
The centre of Enniskillen has been sealed off since Friday night's explosion which wrecked the Inland Revenue offices and caused considerable damage to property.

Monday 12th June 1972
Three shot dead in Belfast
Three men have been shot dead and two soldiers and a civilian wounded in an overnight gun battle. Three other men are also claimed to have been hit when troops returned fire on gunmen. The RUC have named the dead men as Hugh Madden, aged 43, a Catholic of Oldpark Road; Joseph Campbell, aged 18, of Havana Street, Ardoyne and Norman McGrath, aged 18 who is a Protestant from Coningsby Street in the Oldpark area.

Mr Madden is said to have been shot as he stood outside his shop on the Oldpark Road. Mr. Campbell was shot by troops who retuned fire at a gunman in Ardoyne. His body was recovered by troops in Eskdale Gardens. Mr McGrath was shot dead when troops returned fire after they came under fire from gunmen in the Protestant Alloa Street, Mountainview Street and manor Street areas.

Monday 12th June 1972
Men wounded in Belfast
Two men are reported to have been shot in an alleyway at Ballycarry Street but their bodies have not been recovered. A third man, a Protestant, was shot during a gun battle in Oldpark Road when he tried to





RIGHT - Car bomb attack on the Everton Bar, Crumlin Road

stop a child from straying into the line of fire. Elsewhere in Belfast an 18-year-old youth was wounded in the leg when a gunman opened fire from a passing car at the junction of Stewartstown Road and Hannahstown Drive in the Suffolk area. The RUC are said to be hunting for the gunmen who shot a man in the stomach at his Fortingale Street home in the Old Lodge Road area of Belfast. An unidentified wounded man has also been found n Holmdene Gardens, Ardoyne. He has been taken to hospital where his condition is described as being ill.

Monday 12th June 1972
Pub bombed
Blast bombs have been thrown in a number of areas of Belfast and a bar at Bankmore Street has been wrecked in an explosion. A shop in Euston Street has also been damaged by a malicious fire.

Monday 12th June 1972
Tartans riot
A confrontation has developed between Tartan youths from East Belfast and British soldiers. Stones and bottles were thrown at the troops, who fired more than 200 rubber bullets as rioting raged around the Woodstock Road-Albertbridge Road and the Ravenhill Road area.

Monday 12th June 1972
UDA hi-jacks three Army vehicles
Three Army Land Rovers which were under repair at a garage on the Ravenhill Road were among the vehicles hi-jacked and used by UDA men to patrol the streets of Belfast.

Monday 12th June 1972
Blast bombs
Two blast bombs have exploded in the Duncairn Gardens district and another two bombs have been thrown at an Army patrol on the Crumlin Road. No injuries have been reported.

Monday 12th June 1972
RUC man injured
An RUC man has been injured when the vehicle in which he was travelling was attacked on the Castlereagh Road. The exact circumstances surrounding the incident are, at present, unclear.



Monday 12th June 1972
Libya supplies guns to IRA
Britain has delivered a strong protest to Libya over President Gadafi's speech in which he is reported to have said that his government had supplied arms to the IRA

Monday 12th June 1972
IRA weapons
Army officials are viewing with great concern claims by Libya that she is supplying arms to the IRA. The Army believe that this development, if true, could bring about a great escalation in the situation here. They fear that Communist weapons, guns, bazookas rockets mortars, as well as money and communist expertise could become widely available. At the moment most of the IRA's weapons come from America and the ammunition from France, Sweden and Belgium. Intelligence sources have suggested that the Armalite rifle seen here on the streets in recent months had been sent from the Middle East. Altogether ten of the weapons have been found in the North. The weapon, used in Vietnam by American forces, fires a .223 bullet, the smallest military projectile in the world. But the velocity of the weapon and the way in which the bullet tumbles after leaving the gun makes it a deadly weapon.
Apart from these weapons the IRA do not have any really modern fire power in their arsenal apart from the odd 7.62 self loading rifle and a few Sterling machine guns, both used by

LEFT - Loyalist protest at Belfast City Hall

the British Army. One of the most abundant weapons in the IRA's arsenal and the most effective is the .300 M1 Carbine, an American assault rifle developed at the end of the World War Two and used extensively in Korea.

Perhaps the most popular of all IRA weapons is still the Thompson submachine gun which has a cycle rate of 700 rounds a minute. It has been in existence for some 50 years and occasionally a very early model has been recovered by the Army during searches. There have been many variations on the basic model over the years and it is known that in recent times American students, in sympathy with the IRA, have openly purchased the weapons and sent them to Ireland. Three of the modern version of these guns have been seized recently in Ireland.

Other weapons in use by the IRA are the No. 3 and No. 4 Lee Enfield rifles, the forerunner of the Army's self-loading rifle. The IRA also possess numerous makes of .45, .38 and .32 pistols and revolvers.

There have been rumours that the Russian made Kalashnikov, or AK47 as it is often known, have been used by the IRA here. Cartridge cases which would fit the rifle have been found after a gun battle in the Short Strand in 1971. There have been reports that it has also been used in Derry but the security forces cannot confirm or deny this.

Monday 12th June 1972
Creggan men's committee

The Creggan men's committee has advised the people of Creggan and Bogside to ignore the Provisional IRA peace referendum in its present form. The four-day referendum starts in the Brandywell district of Derry's no go area. The committee challenged the Provisionals to withdraw their ambiguously worded questionnaire and put the honest and straightforward question to the people – "Do you want our campaign of violence to end?

Monday 12th June 1972
Gunman shot

Troops claim to have shot a gunman in Bingnian Drive in Andersonstown. An Army spokesman said that soldiers, members of a mobile patrol, opened fire on a man seen with a gun. The man was said to double up and a ambulance arrived

Monday 12th June 1972
Explosives discovered

Four men have been arrested by the RUC and are being questioned about the discovery of 300lbs of explosives about six miles from the border. The find was made at Kilturk near Newtownbutler.

Monday 12th June 1972
UDA say they are willing to talk

A spokesman for the Ulster Defence Association has said that his organisation would be prepared to meet Mr Whitelaw, "or anyone else bar the IRA." He stated that the UDA no-go areas were a success, espe-



Five die in 24 hours of terror

Five people have died in a 24-hour period in which the IRA kept up its relentless terror campaign.

And last night the violence continued when a 100 lb. car bomb blasted the Inland Revenue office in Enniskillen and a man was shot in the Falls Road area of Belfast.

The latest victim of the Provisional IRA murder campaign was another [illegible] dead as he

slumped forward with a number of bullet wounds in his chest. The two women travelling with him were also wounded. One was released after treatment, the other was detained in hospital with a bullet wound in the arm.

As a gesture of [illegible]

Some of Mr. Campbell's Protestant workmates on the building site said yesterday that he had been extremely popular and that if, as had been reported, he had received a number of threats, they certainly did not come from them.

Eire [illegible] inspector

cially in East Belfast, "in spite of attacks by rebel terrorists and the Army." He also urged "the security forces and the minority to take steps to squash the IRA and the Provisionals before the whole country sinks into despair and anarchy." The spokesperson went on to say "The UDA cannot check or channel loyalist feelings for ever and we feel that breaking point is very, very near."

came under attack for the second time when 170 rounds where fired by snipers operating in Eastway Gardens Westend Terrace, Beechwood Avenue and Westend Park. It was during this gun battle that the Army claimed two probable hits. At around the same time as this attack was taking lace six gunmen fired 80 shots from Helen Street, Marlborough Street, the Lone Moor-Creggan Road junction and St Eugene's School. A probable hit was also claimed by the army during this attack. There were no military casualties reported.

German minesweepers which are on a courtesy visit to Dublin after a 20lb bomb exploded at the entrance to the German Embassy in Dublin. An anonymous telephone caller has said that the Baader-Meinhoff group carried out the attack. While the Garda do not have any definite leads they say that it is unlikely that either wing of the IRA was involved in the attack.

Mr William Craig, the Vanguard leader, has reported that loyalist organisations are now in a position to take up arms and defend democracy in Ulster. Mr. Craig disclosed this at a large Unionist Rally in Banbridge. Also in attendance was Mr Brian Faulkner and Mr Enoch Powell.

Monday 12th June 1972
Night-long gun battles in Derry

Approximately 340 rounds of ammunition has been fired by the IRA during four major gun battles in Derry in the early hours of the morning. There were also 24 other minor shooting incidents in which 60 rounds were fired at the Army. The gun battles followed the killing of an 18-year-old soldier by sniper fire. He has been named as Gunner Peter Raistrick, who was on duty at the Brook Park Army post. He died after being shot in the head by one of three shots which were fired by a sniper operating from Marlborough Street.

The first of the Derry gun battles took place round 1.30 am when the Bligh's lane came under attack from seven snipers. Around 60 shots were fired from positions in Westend Park and Beechwood Avenue. Almost one hour later the post

Monday 12th June 1972
Loyalist Front formed in East Antrim

The East Antrim Loyalist Front, which has recently been formed and which was involved in setting up barricades in Carrickfergus, has said that its organisation is dedicated to the maintenance of the Union. The group also said that one of its demands is for legislation to make it illegal for residents or visitors in any part of the United Kingdom to be a member of or to promote the policies of, Communism or revolutionary socialism.

Monday 12th June 1972
Police guard for German ships

Security has been mounted on eight

Monday 12th June 1972
Council member on arms charge

DUP Councillor, Fred Proctor, and a member of the RUC have appeared in a special court on arms charges. The pair are charged with having two pistols and 25 rounds of ammunition at Mayo Street on Saturday morning. The court was told that both men had permits for the guns and were allowed out on bail.

Monday 12th June 1972
Craig talks of armed defence

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Monday 12th June 1972
Explosion

An explosion has been heard in the Donegal Road area. Reports suggest that there have been casualties.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Bomb in North Belfast

Army experts are preparing to examine a bomb close to Glenravel RUC barracks and headquarters of the 2nd Battalion, The Parachute Regiment. The bomb, in a van, is thought to be a large one and the surrounding area has been sealed off. A warning was given and it was expected that the bomb would explode at 1.00 pm however that time has expired. It is thought that the army may now use a Bazooka to dismantle the device. Patients in the nearby Clifton House have been moved to the rear of the building for safety.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Hooded UDA men meet Whitelaw

A group of men, at least two of them wearing masks and with coats over their heads have arrived at Stormont for a meeting with Mr Whitelaw. They were driven there by Mr Billy Hull, chairman of the Loyalist Association of Workers. Mr Hull who said earlier that he would attend the meeting with the Secretary of State and the UDA, but would not say what his connection was. The Secretary of State had asked for a meeting with the paramilitary Ulster Defence Association to urge them to call off their threat to paralyse the North at the weekend by the erection of barricades. Hull said that it was intended that the 13 members of the UDA "Inner Council" would be present at the meeting. He went on to say "I am not saying what connections I have with the UDA, although it is said that I have been associated with it." He also said that the LAW worked closely with the UDA, but would not say what position he was involved in, if any, in the militant organisation. The Talks with the Secretary of State are expected to last around one hour.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
'Comforts for the Troops'

The Mayor of Belfast, Councillor William Christie, has received a cheque for the "Comforts for the Troops" fund from the 36th Old Boys Association in Toronto. Although the fund is now closed, the cheque is being forwarded to the GOC for use by the soldiers.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
UDA has right to be heard says Alliance

Mr Basil Glass, president of the Alliance Party, has said that members of the Ulster Defence Association had every democratic right to have their voices heard. But he said that the North had quite enough of slaughter, violence and hooliganism.

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Tuesday 13th June 1972
IRA did not attack Troops

Both wings of the IRA in Derry have denied that they were involved in the weekend gun battles in the City. The Provisionals said that none of their volunteers were involved in the shooting incidents in Eastway Gardens and Demesne Avenue on Saturday and Sunday night. A spokesman for the Provisional Command blamed the Officials, and said "Because they have called a truce, they are throwing the blame on the Provos. We will claim responsibility for any incidents we are involved in." The Official IRA said they did not take part in any gun battle in the early hours of Monday morning in which nearly 400 rounds were fired at the Bligh's Lane and Brooke Park Army Posts. A spokesman said "We keep a stringent check on our arms and none of our units took part in these incidents. We deny totally any involvement in them."

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Derriaghy bomb attacks

Two stores in Derriaghy have been bombed. The explosions were at the warehouse of Rowntree-Mackintosh and the cash and carry store of J. J. Haslett. The bomb at Rowntree-Mackintosh was in a car which was driven into the loading bay at around 4.30pm. This was followed by a second car. Two men got out of the first and into the second before driving off. The blast from the bomb, estimated to be between 30 to 50lb of explosives caused extensive damage. No one was injured in the attack.

The second bomb at a cash and carry store a few hundred yards away exploded 15 minutes later.

The attack was carried out in the exact same manner as the Rowntree-Mackintosh attack. Extensive damage was also caused by this blast. Both getaway cars were found later at Shaw's Bridge.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Car bomb explodes in Donegal Road
A car bomb has exploded in Kilburn in the Donegal Road area of Belfast. Thirteen people were injured in the attack but none of them are serious.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Sectarian attacks in Donegal Pass
There have been sectarian clashes in the Donegal Pass area of Belfast. A gang of Protestant youths attempted to enter a Catholic area. Troops moved in to disperse the youths who then threw stones at the soldiers. The soldiers replied by firing rubber bullets. Further trouble broke out later on when stones were thrown at three Catholic girls who have been accused of singing the Soldier's Song. Further up the Ormeau Road, two Protestant men were pulled from their car and badly beaten by some youths who learned that they were from the Shankill Road. They were both taken to hospital. One of the men was detained.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Strabane clashes
In Strabane clashes occurred between Catholic youths and the Army. Local people have said that the trouble started earlier in the evening when two Catholic boys were beaten up by Protestants in the town. Stone throwing and hijackings then occurred. One soldier was slightly hurt.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Bomb attack in Derry
Two men armed with revolvers and entered a confectionary shop at Rossdowney, Derry and planted a bomb on the counter. The raiders are said to have taken an undisclosed sum of money from the till before they left. The 10lb bomb exploded causing extensive damage, one minute after the men left the building.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Derry gun attacks
Derry City was relatively peaceful over night. There were four separate shootings reported, during which shots were fired at Bligh's Lane and Brandywell Army posts. There were no casualties. At around 7.00am troops fired a gunman in Lone Moor Road but no one was hit.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Sniper attack in Coalisland
A number of high velocity shots have been fired at an RUC Land Rover at the bridge in Coalisland. One shot narrowly missed the driver but no one was injured.

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Carrickfergus factory gutted
The RUC have said that the estimated cost of damage caused to the main store of Jeremiah Ambling's, clothing factory, is in the region of £350,000. At this stage the RUC say they have no reason to believe that it was started maliciously.





TOP - UDA barricade across the Ravenhill Road.
BOTTOM - Members of the UDA on patrol in East Belfast using commandeered British army Land-Rovers
FACING PAGE - UDA men keeping watch at the barricades

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Break the link with Unionist Party
The County Armagh Democratic Unionist Association has called on the Orange Order to break its formal link with the Unionist Party. The Association also claims that the 120 Orange delegates to the Unionist Council have never represented rank and file Orangemen.

It says that no Unionist politician should be allowed to propose resolutions or speak on Orange platforms on the 12th July. In its statement the Association said that "It is ludicrous to have an organisation of 100,000 members affiliated to a political party which has less than 30,000 members.

The Orange Order should not be a constituent member of any political party. Rather, it should concentrate more on defending Reformation principles and exposing modernism and ecumenism."

Tuesday 13th June 1972
Loyalists told to be prepared
The chairman of Duncairn Young Unionists has said that Loyalists should quietly organise and prepare to defend the country against the "final and inevitable onslaught." Mr Frank Millar said it would be unwise for Loyalists to believe that peace initiatives from within the Roman Catholic community, or talks with minority leaders, could bring about reconciliation. He added that talks implied that there was a common ground for discussion. This was not possible for two sides whose ideals and views were totally irreconcilable. Compromise would mean a disgraceful surrender.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Off-duty fireman shot
An off-duty fireman as been shot in the hand as armed men left a parcel, believed to be a large bomb, at a tobacco warehouse at Stockman's Lane. A member of staff in the warehouse of Tobacco Sales Ltd saw the bombers arrived and tried to slam the door. A shot was fired, missing the member of staff and striking the fireman customer. One hour after the bomb had been planted it still had not exploded. The Army, however have decided that due to the risk involved, they should leave it for a while rather than attempt to defuse it.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Whitelaw meets UDA council
The Secretary of State, Mr Whitelaw has met all 13 members of the UDA's "Inner Council" in a surprise follow up to Tuesdays meeting with representatives of the Protestant paramilitary group. The discussions were again held in





Stormont Castle and lasted about an hour. Mr. Whitelaw welcomed the decision by the UDA to put off their plans to erect street barricades throughout the North.

One of the biggest explosive devices ever found has been discovered by workmen in a culvert under a disused bridge near the border. A patrol from the Duke of Wellington Regiment and an Army bomb disposal expert went to the scene at Crossmaglen, County Armagh and the 150 lb bomb was detonated on the spot.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Riots in East Belfast
Part of East Belfast has been sealed off after crowds of youths built barricades around the mainly Protestant area after overnight clashes between rival factions. It is not clear how the trouble began but according to the RUC the trouble took place in the Albertbridge Road-Mountpottinger area. Stones were thrown at troops who replied with rubber bullets.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Girl wounded in Turf Lodge
A 12-year-old girl from the Turf Lodge area of Belfast has been shot in the abdomen after gunmen opened fire on soldiers on the Whiterock Road. She was rushed to hospital for an emergency operation and her condition is said to be "ill." The RUC say she was standing behind soldiers who were giving cover to an Army working party near St Thomas's School, when two gunmen opened fire from the City Cemetery-Falls Park area. One bullet struck the girl. The soldiers returned fire but no one was injured.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Motorway bomb alert
The M1 was closed for two hours after armed men hi-jacked two heavy lorries near the Autolite factory and drove them to the M1 motorway. Telephone call were made saying that bombs had been planted on the vehicles and that they would explode in 30 minutes. Traffic was diverted and on investigation the bombs turned out to be hoaxes.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Ardoyne gun attacks
Four low velocity shots have been fired in the Brompton Park area of Ardoyne. The security forces were not involved in the incident. Five shots were also fired from Glenbryn Park along Berwick Road towards Alliance Avenue. One shot was also fired at troops in Etna Drive. No one was hurt in any of the attacks.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Culvert bomb
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Wednesday 14th June 1972
Bomb explodes at market
A bomb containing around 20lb of explosives has exploded at a pig market at Fair Hill, Kilrea causing extensive damage. A second bomb, containing 40lb of explosives, exploded wrecking the weighbridge and a shed as well as shattering windows in the nearby cattle market.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Shots fired in Derry
Derry city has what has been described as a comparatively peaceful night, with only six minor shootings being recorded. Shots were fired at Army posts and in three occasions one shot was fired at Bligh's Lane Army post.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Bus hi-jacked in Strabane
Over 100 youths hi-jacked an Ulsterbus at the bridge and put it across Bridge Street. Troops then fired rubber bullets in an attempt to disperse a crowd of more than 200 who gathered at Abercorn Square.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Hunger strike protest in Enniskillen
Around 250 people gathered outside Enniskilen RUC barracks to demonstrate support for the hunger strikers in Belfast. The meeting was organised by the Fermanagh Resist-

ance Movement. Mr. Frank McManus, MP, addressed the crowd.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Whitelaw rejects IRA talks offer
The IRA, through its Chief of Staff, has offered the Secretary of State, Mr Whitelaw, a seven day ceasefire if he agreed to meet them to discus their "Republican peace plan." However, the offer was rejected By Mr Whitelaw saying that he "cannot respond to ultimatums from terrorists who are causing suffering to innocent civilians in Northern Ireland and shooting British soldiers."

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Bomb making equipment discovered
Civic guards and Irish Army ballistics experts have discovered bomb making equipment in an abandoned farm house at Carrickmacross. The equipment was removed to Dundalk Garda Station.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Loyalist petition
A deputation from the Ulster Constitution Defence Committee led by the Rev Ian Paisley is to hand in a petition to a representative of the Whitelaw administration at Government House at Hillsborough, calling for effective steps to be taken to defeat the IRA. The petition will be handed in after a loyalist march through Hillsborough on Saturday.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Garda to remain unarmed
The Minister for Justice in the South, Mr. Desmond O'Malley, has said that the Garda Siochana would not be armed unless things got out of hands. Speaking at a reception to mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the force, he stated that although some members of the special Branch were armed, the force itself would not be moving in this direction.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
IRA press conference
At a press conference in the Bogside area of Derry, Sean MacStiofain has stated that the death toll for the troubles was 388. This figure includes 48 IRA members, 112 of the "enemy" and 228 civilians. Although the IRA has said that 48 of its members have died, in official circles it is felt that it is more likely to be 54.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Bomb defused
The Army has defused a 20lb bomb outside the Protestant frequented Jolly Roger Club at Berwick Road at the junction of Alliance Road in the Ardoyne area of Belfast. The bomb was planted by a number of men who left the bomb at the door before driving off in a car.

Wednesday 14th June 1972
Soldier on drugs charge
A member of the Royal Marines, Brian Taylor, has been found guilty at a court martial in Plymouth of possessing and supplying cannabis. At his trial he asked that he be sent to Ireland to prove how good a soldier he could be. Taylor and two other soldiers were dismissed from the force.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Proportional Representation
It is expected, in political circles, that the Secretary of State, Mr Whitelaw, will announce that the Government has decided to use proportional representation in the local government elections.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Weather hits Derry poll
A spokesman for the Provisional IRA in Derry has said that the referendum in the Bogside and Creggan were going well. He admitted that it had not gone as well as expected on Creggan estate on Wednesday night due to unfavourable weather conditions.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Soldier dies in crash
The soldier who died when his Ferret car burst into flames on the Upper Greenisland Road, near Carrickfergus, has been named as Lance-Corporal Keith Chillingworth of the Blues and Royals Regiment. The soldier, aged 25, became trapped in the turret of the car after it skidded, hit a grass bank and went on fire. Exploding ammunition hampered attempts to rescue him.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Libya told 'Stop supplying weapons'
Libya has been warned by Irelands Permanent Representative at the United Nations and Minister for

Foreign Affairs, Dr Hillery, to stop supplying arms to the IRA. He also said that getting a translation of Gadafy's speech was also delaying a resolution to the matter.

Thursday 15th June 1972
UDR patrol attacked in Armagh
UDR men on patrol near the border had a narrow escape when three mines exploded close to their vehicles. The patrol had been travelling along the Moy Road, Armagh, when three Claymore type mines exploded in the path of the lead vehicle. The windscreen of the first Land Rover shattered but the UDR men escaped without injury

Thursday 15th June 1972
Soldiers ambushed in Andersonstown
A patrol of soldiers from the 2nd Field regiment has come under attack on the Glen Road, on the outskirts of Belfast. Sixteen shots were fired at the soldiers at around midnight but no one was hit. Fire was not returned. Also in Andersonsown a joint RUC-Army patrol was ambushed a short while earlier in Tullymore Gardens. The same patrol was attacked for a second time at the junction of RiverdalePark East and the Andersonstown Road. Troops fired at a man and they believe they may have hit him.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Boys shot with rubber bullets
A 12-year-old boy from the Lenadoon Avenue area of Belfast has been taken to hospital with a serious eye injury, which is thought to have been caused by a rubber bullet. According to an Army spokesman the boy may lose the sight of one eye. A second boy, aged 14, from Edenmore Drive, Andersonstown, was also taken to hospital after being struck with a rubber bullet at Slievegallion Dive.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Attack on Army
Shots have been fired during the evening at Andersonstown RUC Barracks and Army posts at Vere Foster School, Ballymurphy, Flax Street Ardoyne and Divis Street, Dover Street and Campbell's Row. One soldier had a miraculous escape Ballymurphy Road – Westrock Drive junction. The bullet lodged in his flax jacket and he was not injured.

Thursday 15th June 1972
RUC men pinned down by sniper
RUC men who were called to investigate an incident at Morton's Brewery at Donegal Road were pinned down by snipers for almost ten minutes. They had just got out of their car near the junction of the M1 when a man with a rifle began firing at them from the Rodney Parade area. At least ten shots were fired before troops arrived on the scene. No one was injured in the attack.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Petrol station robbed
A man who handed a petrol attendant a note with the letters "IRA" on it, has escaped with £30 from Victor's filling station in Chichester Street at 3.30 am.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Gun attacks in Derry
Nine shooting incidents have taken place in Derry in the 24 hours up to 4.00 am. In the most serious attack three bursts of automatic fire was directed at the Brooke Park Army post. There were no casualties in any of the attacks.



LEFT - Riot in Hastings Street, lower Falls, after a republician parade was prevented from going into the city centre.
FACING PAGE - Mount Street in East Belfast after a riot between the army and the UDA

Thursday 15th June 1972
Customs post destroyed
A caravan which was used as a customs post at Culmore, near Derry has been destroyed by fire. It is reported that two gunmen held up customs staff and set fire to the building.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Army Helicopter attacked
Five shots have been fired at an Army helicopter as it flew over Carn West on the Garrison road. A claymore mine was also detonated but no damage was caused to the aircraft. The crew returned fire at the gunman but did not claim a hit.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Bomb at Castledawson
An explosion has badly damaged a Ministry of Agriculture mechanical digger at MacCartney's Quay, Castledawson.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Repairs to UDR vehicles
Local contractors are to take over from Shorts work on repair of the UDR's Shorland armoured cars. But the aircraft company will still carry out modifications to the vehicles. The aim of the move is to cut down repair times.

Thursday 15th June 1972
Republican clubs accuse SDLP and IRA of betrayal
The SDLP and the Provisional IRA have been accused of a "gross betrayal" by the six-county executive of the Republican Clubs. In a statement they said that they are stunned to hear that the Provisionals had offered to talk to Mr. Whitelaw. They accused the Provisionals of giving the SDLP, who had broken all their promises and who had come out in their true colours as traitors, the excuse to talk to the Secretary of State.



Thursday 15th June 1972
Bomb defused
A Claymore mine of between 50-60lb has been defused by the Army near Castlederg. The explosives had been packed into a milk churn which was buried near a cratered road, not far from Carn Hill, west of the town and on the border. The mine was found by a routine scout car patrol and a wire from it led to a spot on the Northern side of the border. An electricity pylon has also been damaged near Aughnacreggan Bridge, Carrickmore.

Friday 16th June 1972
Bomb factory discovered
Soldiers have discovered a bomb making factory in The Andersonstown area of Belfast. The items, which were found in a garage in Dungloe Crescent were: eighty-eight pounds of explosives, 870 feet of fuse, 20 detonators, five petrol bombs, one empty pipe bomb, a striker mechanism for detonating grenades, bomb circuit testing gear, an assortment of chemicals used in making bombs and tools for bomb making.

Friday 16th June 1972
O'Neill attacks Faulkner
Former Prime Minister, Lord O'Neill of the Maine praised Sir Robert Porter's resignation from the Unionist Party. He said "Sir Robert Porter was quite right to disown Mr Faulkner's leadership. In all the circumstances he could do nothing else. History will show that during his political life, Sir Robert was a man of honour."



LEFT All that remains of the Top Hat Ballroom, Lisburn, after an IRA bomb attack

Friday 16th June 1972
Detainees released
Fifteen more detainees have been released on the orders of Secretary of State, Mr William Whitelaw. The news of their release was given by a spokesman at Stormont Castle. The spokesman gave the number of detainees freed to date by Mr Whitelaw as being 553. Three hundred and eighty seven men are still being held at the camp.

Friday 16th June 1972
IRA won't be invited to peace conference
The IRA will not be represented when Mr Whitelaw convenes the round table conference aimed at finding a new political settlement in the North. There is no official indication as to what groups will be invited to the conference although the feeling is that it is bound to extend beyond just elected representatives. But it has been made clear by Unionists that if the Provisional or Official IRA are asked to attend then the talks would not get off the ground.

Friday 16th June 1972
Belfast riots
Rioting has broken out in Andersonstown at the corner of Rossnareen Avenue and Shaws Road. Around 200 youths set a car on fire and threw stones and petrol bombs at troops. Rubber bullets were fired by troops.

Friday 16th June 1972
Helicopter finds bomb
In Carrickmore a helicopter patrol of the 16/5th Lancer found 60lbs of explosives and three pipe bombs. Fifty pounds of explosives were also found in the boot of a car at Aughnacreggan.

Friday 16th June 1972
Bogside poll
A spokesman for a group of seven primary school teachers in the Bogside described the Provisional IRA's peace referendum as a con trick and said that the election was a flop. The voting statistics were out of an electorate of 15,000, just over 9,000 took part. There were 366 spoiled ballot papers. 7,750 people were said to have voted yes and 1,016 voted no.

Friday 16th June 1972
PR will be opposed
A member of the Vanguard executive, James Rodgers has said that his movement will oppose the introduction of proportional representation. Speaking in Ballymena, he said that only a clear cut statement from the Westminster Government that Stormont would return after a year would satisfy the needs of the loyalist people of Northern Ireland.

Friday 16th June 1972
Belfast riots
The parents of the late Joseph Campbell, (16) of Havana Street, Belfast, have denied a report that their son was an intelligence officer in Fianna Eireann. He was one of the victims of shooting incidents in the Ardoyne area on Sunday night.

Friday 16th June 1972
IRA deny obstructing funerals
The Provisional IRA in Derry have rejected that they have been placing restrictions on funeral processions and graveside ceremonies at the City Cemetery in the no-go area. They were responding to a letter printed in a local paper which said that the IRA was dictating the time of burials, restricting the number of cars to two, plus the hearse which would be stopped and searched and that future visits to the graves would be limited to ten minutes providing

one did not lift one's head during the time there. The IRA dismissed the allegations and stated that the letter writer was blindly accepting all the half lies and untruths being poured out by the British propaganda machine.

Friday 16th June 1972
Man shot in Belfast
A 22-year-old man who was home in Belfast for his father's funeral was shot from a speeding car in North Queen Street in one of many shooting incidents which took place overnight. The man has been named as John Hill of Stevenage, Herts. He was not seriously injured.

Friday 16th June 1972
Co-op bomb attack
A bomb has exploded at Greencastle Co-op grocery store, Shore Road. There was relatively little damage and no casualties were caused by the blast which was heard over a wide area.

Friday 16th June 1972
Army-RUC patrol ambushed
A burst of shots was aimed at Army and RUC personnel as they drove along Annagher Road, Coalisland. Fire was returned but more gunmen engaged the troops as they reacted to the initial attack. There were no casualties the first gunman escaped.

Friday 16th June 1972
Belfast gun attacks
At least 50 shots were fired at security forces during an intense spate of shooting incidents around tea-time but no one was injured. Five shots were fired at Springfield Road RUC barracks from the direction of Colgan Street. Ten shots were fired at the military post in Broadway; Three shots were fired at a personnel carrier in Norfolk Street; Five shots a Muhouse Street Army post and other shots were fired at troops in Lenadoon Avenue and at Musgrave Park.

Friday 16th June 1972
Gun attack on Glenravel Street RUC Barracks
An Army sentry on duty at Glenravel Street RUC barracks fired at a gunman spotted in Churchill House but did not claim a hit.

Friday 16th June 1972
Sniper attack on Springfield Road
A single high velocity shot has been fired at an Army patrol on the Springfield Road from the direction from Divismore Park. The Army have also reported that one shot was also fired at a foot patrol in Ballygomartin Road but the source of the fire was not established. Three shots were also fired at another patrol in Norglen Parade from the direction of nearby flats. Shots were also fired at troops on duty at Andersonstown and New Barnsley RUC barracks.

Friday 16th June 1972
Bomb defused in Strabane
Children playing in the Melmont Road area of Strabane have discovered a box containing 5lbs of gelignite and five nail bombs. An Army expert was called in to deal with the device. Also in Strabane a mobile shop, parked in Croaghain View was damaged by a small explosive device. There was no apparent motive for the attack.

Friday 16th June 1972
RUC men seriously ill
Two RUC men were shot and seriously wounded as they drove along



RIGHT - Bomb attack on the premises of J&J Haslett, Derriaghy

Kennedy Way, Belfast. Both men were wearing civilian clothing and were in a private car when a second car pulled up along side them. At least two men, armed with a Thompson sub-machine gun and an Armalite rifle opened fire. The RUC men were both stationed at Andersonstown RUC barracks. It appears that that they were known to their attackers and after being recognised, were followed for some distance

Friday 16th June 1972
Different versions of same shooting
The RUC and Provisional IRA in Derry have given different versions of what happened in an incident in the Bogside which involved a bread van. The RUC version of the incident said that several shots were fired at a van in Cable Street, bullets passed through the door and that the driver had a narrow escape. The IRA version of events claims that the driver fired two shots at people outside a grocers shop as he drove away from an IRA checkpoint. The IRA claim they returned fire and hit one person in the van.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Massive explosion in Shankill
Fourteen civilians and two soldiers have been injured when a bomb, estimated to contain between 150 and 200lb of explosives exploded outside the Woodvale Arms bar at the junction of Ainsworth Street and Shankill Road. No one was seriously injured. The explosion left a crater four feet deep and eight feet wide in the road outside the pub. A 25 minute warning was telephoned to a local newspaper.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Soldier shot by sniper
An IRA sniper fired a single shot at soldiers from the Kings Regiment in the Turf Lodge area of Belfast. The soldiers were on duty at Monagh Road-Norglen Parade when a bullet, fired from Norglen Parade grazed the soldier's neck. An Army spokesman said that the soldier missed death by a fraction of an inch and that he was lucky to be alive.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Protesters shut tourist office
Forty members of Provisional Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Provisional IRA have held a protest in the Irish Tourist Board's London headquarters. They were protesting the detention of Republicans in the North and South. A spokesman said that this was the start of an international campaign of peaceful protest. He also added that a hunger strike would start outside the Irish Embassy in Belgravia on Sunday.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Girl wounded in taxi
A 21-year-old girl was injured when soldiers opened fire on a taxi in the Springfield Road area of Belfast. The girl was shot when a taxi overtook an Army vehicle. An army spokesman said that gunmen were in the area and that the taxi was travelling fast.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Mobile patrol attacked
Three shots have been at a mobile patrol at the corner of Crumlin Road and Kerrera Street. Fire was returned and no hits were claimed.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Shots heard in New Lodge
A number of shots were heard in the New Lodge area of Belfast during the evening but the security forces were not involved.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Tartan gangs attack Catholic families
Tartan gangs have attacked the homes of Catholic families in Rushfield Avenue, off the Ormeau Road. A number of windows were broken. Protestant women have spoken to journalists of the "systematic intimidation" of Catholic families in the area.

Saturday 17th June 1972
East Belfast gun attacks
Two bursts of automatic fire has been heard in the Woodstock Road area of Belfast. Later a number of 9mm cartridges and bullet marks were discovered on a wall in Madrid Street.

Saturday 17th June 1972
RUC man wounded in Derry
An RUC man has received a bullet wound to the arm in Derry when gunmen fired around 30 shots from automatic weapons at two RUC men on foot patrol. The shooting happened at the corner of Strand Road and Lawrence Hill. Fire was



LEFT - IRA bomb attack on the Newcastle Urban Council offices.

returned at a speeding car but it is not known if anyone was hit.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Derry gun attacks
There have been six shooting incidents in Derry in the 24 hours up until 4.00am. Troops also fired at a gunman who was seen in Creggan Road but no hits were claimed.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Shots fired at Strabane RUC barracks
Nine automatic shots have been fired at Strabane RUC barracks. Five of the shots struck a wall at the rear of the barracks but no one was injured and fire was not returned.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Bombs explode in Strabane
Two small explosions have gone off at two electricity transformers in Strabane. The transformers, one in Melmont and the other outside the town caused little damage.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Gun attack at Clady
An Army patrol has been fired on in the village of Clady. Twenty-four shots were fired at troops but no one was hurt and fire was not returned.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Bomb at Orange Hall
An explosion has slightly damaged an Orange Hall at Carnagh, Keady The postmistress at Carnagh has said that four masked and armed men came into the post office and told her that a bomb was in the Orange Hall.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Soldiers stoned in Newry
Soldiers have been stoned by a crowd leaving St Colman's Hall in Newry. A number of arrests were made and one constable was hit on the leg with a missile.

Saturday 17th June 1972
Republican march hit by ban
A Republican march, organised by the Northern Resistance Movement, which had planned on going to Belfast Prison has been banned from part of the route. An order by the Minister of State restricts the march to between Beechmount Street and Hamill Street.

Monday 19th June 1972
Armed bank raid
Gunmen have carried out a bank raid in Tyrone. The raiders seized £850 from the Ulster Bank. During the raid a RUC man was overpowered and disarmed by one of the gunmen. They ripped the radio telephone from the RUC mans car and fired a number of shots into the tyres. A woman who came to his aid was shot at but was not injured.

Monday 19th June 1972
Prisoners moved to Long Kesh
The secretary of State William Whitelaw has announced that a number of prisoners currently held

in Crumlin Road will be transferred to Long Kesh. Although Mr Whitelaw's statement made no mention of political prisoners, it was said that the move was taking place "in order to relieve tension" within Crumlin Road and the subsequent harmful impact on the community in general.

Monday 19th June 1972
Shots fired at Army vehicle
Two shots have been fired at an Army Saracen in Bligh's Lane compound in Derry. There were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Monday 19th June 1972
Soldiers killed in booby-trap
Three soldiers have been killed in a booby trap bomb explosion near Lurgan, County Armagh. The bomb, estimated to have been between 20 and 50lb had been placed in a cottage. The soldiers are said to have entered the cottage after seeing a light. They left the building and re-entered it. It was at this point that the explosion occurred. Five other soldiers have been injured in the attack. The soldiers who died have been named as Sgt Major Arthur McMillan, aged 37, from Hull, Lance Corporal Colin Leslie, aged 26, from Kirkwll, Orkney and Sgt Ian Mark Mutch, aged 31, from Nairn in Scotland.

Monday 19th June 1972
Man shot in social club
A man has been shot dead in a Falls Road social club. The man Desmond Mackin, had gone to the Leesonville Social club for Father's Day. A brother of the dead man has said that seven Provisional IRA men forced their way into the club. He said the men were made to kneel and the women were pushed around. According to the man his brother took exception to the way his wife and mother was being treated and he was struck. He was then shot. Mr Mackin died at the scene. The RUC are working on the theory that the dead man was the victim in a dispute between the Official and Provisional IRA.

Monday 19th June 1972
Repair squad demanded
Two Belfast City Councillors, Hugh Kidd and Hugh Smyth have called for the setting up of a special emergency work force to carry out immediate repairs on bomb-damaged homes. He special unit would be composed of all types of tradesmen. They also called for immediate grants to householders so that they could hire their own tradesmen to carry out repair work.

Monday 19th June 1972
Dead man named
A man who was found hooded and shot dead at Shaw's Bridge on Friday has been named. He was Charles Brendan Connor, aged 32, who lived at Castlereagh Street, but formerly came from Andersonstown.

Monday 19th June 1972
Bombs in Ligoniel factory
Two explosions and a fire have badly damaged the Victoria Weaving Company's facility. The first bomb, weighing around 50lb exploded causing a fire and the second bomb went off while the building was burning. The bombs were planted by six armed men.

Monday 19th June 1972
Gun attack on Mountpottinger Road
A gunman aimed one shot at a motorist after he spotted him in



LEFT - IRA bomb attack on Strabane Council offices

Mountpottinger Road fire a number of shots towards the Newtownards Road. No one was injured in the incident.

Monday 19th June 1972
Bomb in Pram
An Army sergeant and an RUC man have pushed a pram containing 120lbs away from the front of Coalisland RUC barracks. The bomb did not explode and was later defused by the Army.

Monday 19th June 1972
Army detonates mines
A number of Claymore mines and 800 metres of electric wire have been found at Annaghmore by military police. They were blown up by the Army.

Monday 19th June 1972
Incendiary devices discovered in Armagh
Six incendiary devices have been discovered in different shops in Armagh. All were discovered before they ignited.

Monday 19th June 1972
Strabane garage is blown up
A garage has been badly damaged by a bomb in Strabane. At least half a dozen cars were destroyed in the explosion and scores of windows in neighbouring houses were broken.

Monday 19th June 1972
Derry shootings
Two shots have been fired at troops on Craigavon Bridge at around 3.00am. There were no casualties and fire was not returned. There were no other shooting incidents in the city overnight.

Monday 19th June 1972
Soldier dies in Derry Army base
A soldier has died in Ebrington Barracks from a gunshot wound. An Army spokesman said that the incident is being investigated but that foul play was not suspected. There are no reports of other soldiers being involved.

Monday 19th June 1972
Injured man dies
A man injured in a shooting incident outside the British Legion Hall in Donacloney, County Armagh on Saturday 10th June has died in hospital. He is Ronald Halliday, aged 30, of Churchill Place, Waringstown.





TOP - Soldiers who were injured in a bomb attack at Bleary, near Lurgan, being airlifted to a hospital in Belfast
BOTTOM - Troops building a peaceline at Conway Street

Monday 19th June 1972
Cruise for school children
400 children from primary schools in Derry have had a "get away from it all" cruise down Lough Foyle, courtesy of Donegal trawlermen from the fishing ort of Greencastle. A total of 20 boats made the trip to Derry and back again, taking 200 children on each trip.

Monday 19th June 1972
Troops halt hunger strike march
A strong force of troops prevented a hunger strike march, which was organised by the Northern Resistance Movement, of travelling beyond King Street and Castle Street. The 800 marchers had hoped to walk to Crumlin Road prison but the march route had been restricted. Small groups of youths began throwing stones at the troops who responded by firing rubber bullets.

Monday 19th June 1972
Scuffles at CCDC chairman's home
There have been scuffles outside the home of Mr Tom Conaty, chairman of the Central Citizens Defence Committee, who has accepted a position on the Secretary of State's advisory committee.

Members of the County Antrim executive of the Republican Clubs had placed a picket outside Mr Conaty's home in Andersonstown to protest "at his silence on the question of the hunger strike in Crumlin Road jail." There were scuffles as Mr Conaty ejected some of the pickets who had climbed into his garden.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Shots fired in RUC barracks
A Dublin man has been shot and wounded when shots were fired during a scuffle in Armagh RUC barracks. The incident happened after four men were stopped by the RUC at Ferla Crossroads, near Armagh, and taken to the barracks for questioning. At the barracks a gun was produced and pointed at one of the RUC men. In a subsequent struggle the other RUC men fired a number of shots. One man fell with a bullet wound to the leg and was taken to hospital for treatment. Later a second gun, a fully loaded .45 revolver was also recovered.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Twelve women held for contempt of court
Twelve women were sentenced for contempt of court for clapping as four Scotsmen, who had been charged with possession of gelignite, left the dock. One of the women complained that "rebels" had been allowed to shout and clap in other courts. One of the women had been sentenced to one months imprisonment and eleven other were each sentenced to £10 fines. After a half hour in the cells the women's sentences were overturned.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Joe Cahill freed
Republican leader, Joe Cahill, who has spent three weeks on hunger strike has been freed at the Special Criminal Court in Dublin. A jury found him not guilty of inciting persons to become members of the IRA.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Prison hunger strike ends
The hunger strike by Republican prisoners at Belfast's Crumlin Road jail has ended, following the decision by Mr. Whitelaw to grant new conditions under which they will serve their sentences. Some of the 31 men involved have been without food for 36 days and one of them, Billy McKee, has been taken to hospital because of his weak condition.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Soldier killed in Ardoyne
A soldier in the Royal Regiment of Wales was been killed when his armoured vehicle came under fire from Brompton Park. Five other soldiers in the vehicle were injured in the attack. The dead soldier as been named as Private Bryan Douglas Snodden. Earlier, in a similar attack a soldier was wounded in Hooker Street when a gunman fired into the vehicle in which he was travelling. One of the bullets struck the driver but his injuries are not said to be serious.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Pub is bombed in Donnemana
A 40lb bomb has exploded outside Sayer's pub in Main Street, Donemana in the early hours of the morning. A new extension to the pub has been demolished and windows in surrounding buildings blown in.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Car bomb explodes in Ballymena
A 150lb car bomb has exploded in Galgorm Street, Ballymena. The

RIGHT - Ulster Vanguard rally at Belfast City Hall



bomb has caused extensive damage to Rainey's public house, the nearby social security office, a car show room and a number of houses. Fourteen people were taken to hospital after the explosion and treated for minor injuries. The pub is a popular spot for off-duty RUC men and two of those taken to hospital were RUC men.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Electricity pylons bombed
Two electricity pylons four miles from the town of Dungiven have been damaged in an explosion. The blast failed to topple the pylons and electricity supplies were not affected.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Armed robbery in Derry
Three men, two got them armed, held up staff at the offices of Allied Irish Finance Company and got away with an undisclosed sum of money.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Dead man was not in IRA
The family of Desmond Mackin who was shot dead in a Falls Road social club have said that he was not a member of any organisation.

Tuesday 20th June 1972
Bombs in Strabane and Dungannon
In Strabane two bombs have exploded in premises occupied by Strbane Urbane Council causing extensive damage. In Dungannon a large tyre depot at New Well Road was completely destroyed by a 40lb bomb. No one was injured in either attack.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
IRA expected to announce ceasefire
Intense behind-the-scenes activity was going on north and south of the border as the IRA tied up the loose ends before issuing a statement on the peace package. It is believed that the announcement of a cease-fire, which might not come until Thursday or Friday, will outline the conditions for a limited cease-fire. However, it is likely that the IRA will hold their hand on a permanent cessation until they see what developments take place during this time.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Army search party attacked
Troops carried out a search in the Upper Library Street-Clifton Street area of Belfast after shots were heard near Unity Flats. As the soldiers began to carry out a search youths attacked them with stones.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Mobile patrol attacked in Lenadoon
Six shots have been fired at a mobile patrol in the Lenadoon Avenue area of Belfast at 1.25 pm. Fire was returned but no injuries were reported.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Shots fired on Stewartstown Road
Four shots have been heard in the Stewartstown Road area but they could not be traced. The Army and RUC say they were not involved in the incident.

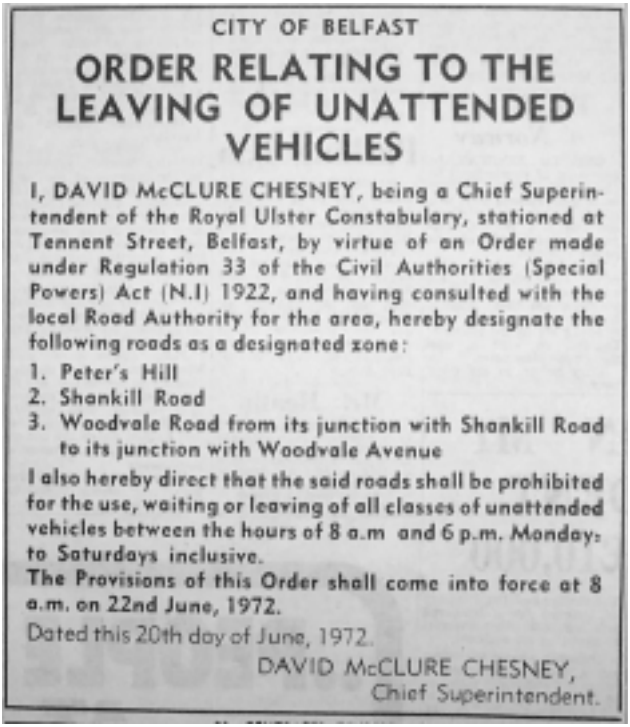
Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Bomb explodes in Strabane
A bomb has exploded in a shop in Urney Street Strabane. Four armed and masked men entered the premises and planted the device. The shop and surrounding area was evacuated and a half hour later the bomb exploded. No one was injured in the attack.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Electricity transformer bombed
An electricity transformer in the grounds of St Colman's High School has been damaged in an explosion.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Booby-trapped car explodes
Very little damage was caused when a booby-trap bomb exploded outside a car showroom and garage. The attack was on the premises of Joshua White in College Street, Armagh. 20lbs of gelignite had been placed in a car and an anonymous telephone warning given. No one was injured in the attack.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
'Probable hits' claimed by Army
Soldiers in Derry have claimed two probable hits in an exchange of fire with gunmen. Forty shots were fired at the Brooke Park Army post between 1.27am and 3.30am. The shots came from the area of Helen Street, Creggan Street and Lone Moor Road. There were no military casualties. There were three other isolated shootings in the city in which three shots were fired.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Larne sealed by barriers
The centre of Larne has been completely sealed off by barriers on nine streets leading into the town. This move cuts off all traffic except delivery vehicles, to the shopping area and the RUC say that access can be gained to Main Street by Agnew Street, where there will be a manned barrier. Traffic to the harbour will be unaffected.



CITY OF BELFAST

ORDER RELATING TO THE LEAVING OF UNATTENDED VEHICLES

I, DAVID McCLURE CHESNEY, being a Chief Superintendent of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, stationed at Tennent Street, Belfast, by virtue of an Order made under Regulation 33 of the Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act (N.I) 1922, and having consulted with the local Road Authority for the area, hereby designate the following roads as a designated zone:

1. Peter's Hill
2. Shankill Road
3. Woodvale Road from its junction with Shankill Road to its junction with Woodvale Avenue

I also hereby direct that the said roads shall be prohibited for the use, waiting or leaving of all classes of unattended vehicles between the hours of 8 a.m and 6 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays inclusive.

The Provisions of this Order shall come into force at 8 a.m. on 22nd June, 1972.

Dated this 20th day of June, 1972.

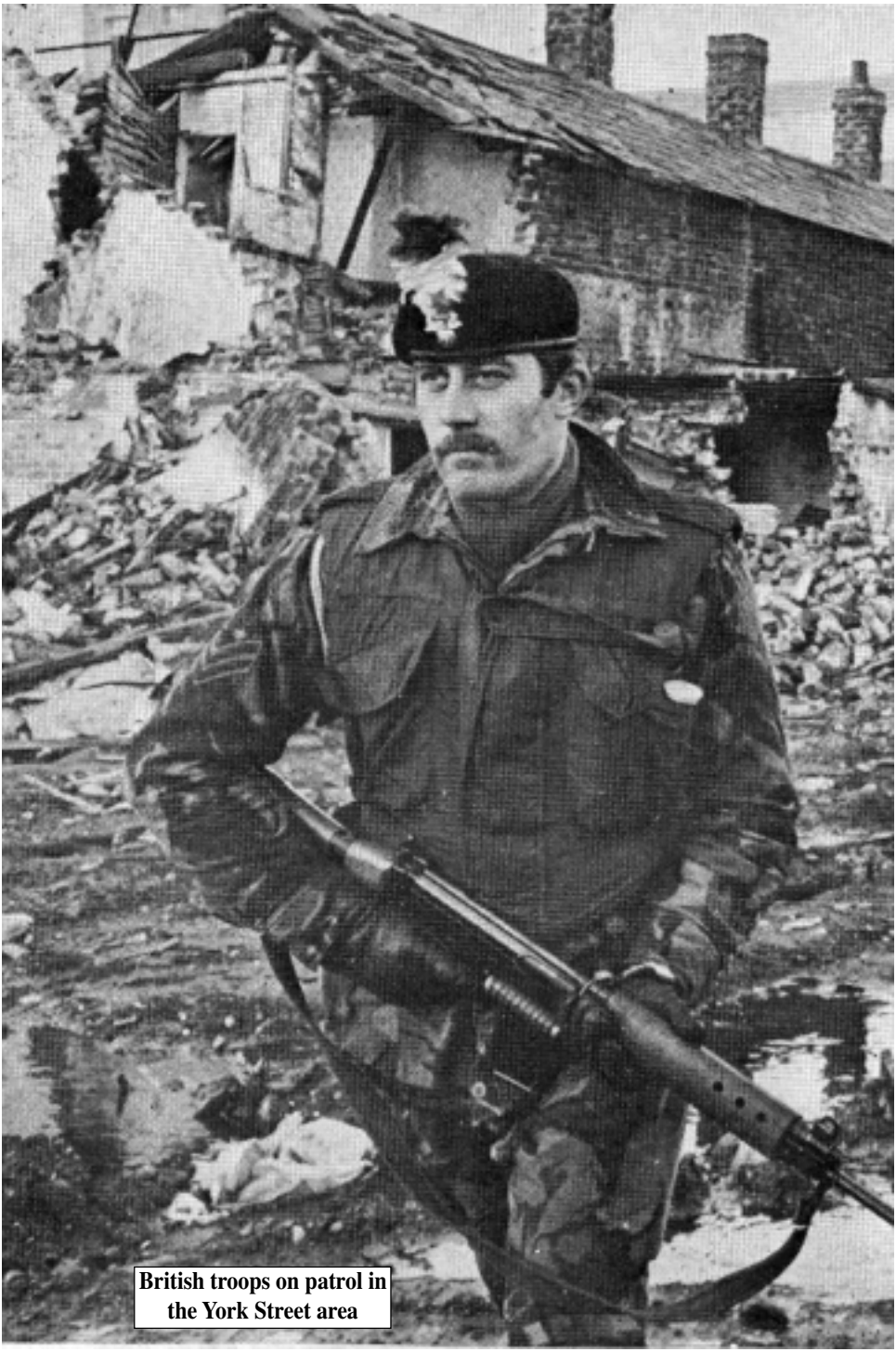
DAVID McCLURE CHESNEY,
Chief Superintendent.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Army finds 200lb mine
Soldiers, members of the Duke of Wellington Regiment, on patrol at Tullymacreeve have discovered two barrels packed with 210lb of explosives in a culvert. Both barrels had been set up as an anti-vehicle mine and were obviously meant for troops. An Army bomb disposal expert decided that the device was too dangerous to move and blew it up. A second bomb, also thought to be an anti-vehicle mine exploded not far away on a road at Clontigora. No one was injured.

Wednesday 22nd June 1972
Peace petition
The Ulster Women's Unionist Council peace petition has reached over 50,000 signatures. The organisers have extended its deadline until Friday, when it will be delivered to the Secretary of State.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
IRA ceasefire
The Provisional IRA in Dublin have announced a ceasefire from midnight on Monday – and gave a strong indication that they wanted a place at the conference table to discuss the future of the North. In a long awaited statement they said that they would suspend "offensive operations" provided that there was a "public reciprocal response" from the Army.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Army shoots four men
Four men have been admitted to hospital with serious gunshot



British troops on patrol in the York Street area

wounds after a shooting incident involving the Army. Two of the men had been shot in the chest, another had a stomach wound and the fourth man's condition is not yet known. An Army statement has said that shortly after midday a mobile patrol wearing plain clothes and on surveillance duty was travelling eastwards on the Glen Road. A group of men standing at a bus turnabout opened fire on the patrol and a shot went through the rear window of the vehicle narrowly missing a soldier. The patrol immediately fired back and the men were seen to fall.

Eighteen shots are reported to have been heard in the Lenadoon Avenue area of Belfast shortly after midday. The Army say they were not involved in the incident. Later, four low velocity shots were fired in Falcarragh Drive, in the same area. No one was injured in either incident.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Council offices bombed

Newry Rural Council offices have been damaged in an explosion which went off at around 1.00pm. The council was in session when the warning was received and officials and staff had to evacuate the building.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
UDA men parade outside prison

Three hundred members of the Ulster Defence Association carried out military type drilling outside Belfast Prison. The UDA men went through a number of routines for more that a half an hour on the main Crumlin Road watched by a crowd of 200. The RUC have said that they dispersed without incident.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Gun battle in Lenadoon

The Army say they hit two gunmen during a fierce gun battle in Lenadoon Avenue, Andersonstown in which a squad of gunmen attacked an Army post. The shooting began just before 10.00pm when five gunmen opened fire from three different positions. The Army say they came under fire from Lenadoon Avenue, from opposite the post and from the Colin Glen bacon factory near Kerrykeel Gardens. A total of 60 high velocity shots and 30 low velocity shots were fired at troops. Troops returned fire and claimed to have hit a gunman in Lenadoon Avenue. A mobile patrol engaged two gunmen in the Bacon factory and claimed a definite hit on one of them. During the height of the battle the shooting could be heard as far away as Ormeau Road.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
M1 motorway closed

The M1 motorway was closed for over two hours during clashes between rival crowds in the Donegal Road area of Belfast. During the disturbances five rubber bullets were fired.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Troops open fire in Ardoyne

Soldiers have claimed a possible hit on a gunman who fired three shots at a foot patrol at the corner of Berwick Road and Strathroy Park in the Ardoyne area of Belfast.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
IRA claim shooting

The Provisional IRA in Derry has claimed responsibility for the killing of a soldier. The soldier, Fusilier Kerry Charles McCarthy, of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers was on sentry duty outside Victoria RUC barracks when he was hit in the chest by a snipers bullet.



LEFT - Provisional IRA press conference in the Bogside area of Derry. Pictured from left are Martin McGuinness, Daithi O'Conaill, Sean MacStiofain and Seamus Twomey



Thursday 22nd June 1972
Army opens fire in Creggan
Troops think they may have hit a sniper in Creggan Road after two posts came under fire during the night. Shots were fired at posts at Rosemount and the city walls and fire was returned from the Rosemount post.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
RUC man attacked in Dungannon
An RUC reservist had to dive for cover when a gunman opened fire form the corner of Thompson Street and Union Place, Dungannon. The gunman is believed to be using an M1 carbine and one shot narrowly missed the RUC man.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Arms raid in Tyrone
Five armed men held the wife of a UDR member at gunpoint while they searched the house. The UDR man was not at home but the raiders stole two magazines and a breech block for an SLR and a uniform.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Explosion in Strabane
The RUC are investigating an explosion which badly damaged a bulldozer at a building site in Ballycolman.

Thursday 22nd June 1972
Grocer's shop bombed
A small grocers shop, owned by Patrick Doherty, in the village of Sion Mills has been bombed. The explosion, caused by a bomb in a duffle bag, completely destroyed the shop.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Strabane gun attacks
Five automatic shots have been fired at a vehicle checkpoint on the Lifford Road in Strabane. Shots have also been fired from the area of Bridge Street but they missed their target.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Shots fired in Lenadoon
For the second day in a row a gun battle has taken place in Lenadoon Avenue, Belfast. According to an Army spokesman six shots were fired at the post and soldiers returned fire hitting one man. He was seen to fall and was dragged away.

Friday 23rd June 1972
RUC to probe shooting
The RUC are said to be investigating the shooting of four men on the Glen Road, Belfast by soldiers in plain clothes. The Association of Legal Justice has also issued a statement saying that they reject the Army's version of events and are sending witness Statements to the Po-



ABOVE & BELOW - IRA bomb making equipment seized by British troops in Belfast





Civilians being searched entering the new security zone erected around Belfast city centre

lice Authority, The Ministry of Defence and the Secretary of State.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Armed Raids
Gunmen have escaped with thousands of pounds after armed raids on banks at Belfast, Newry and Toomebridge and a labour exchange in Dungannon. The banks were the Ulster Bank at Ardoyne; the Provincial Bank at Hill Street, Newry; the Northern Bank, Toombridge and at Dungannon Labour Exchange, raiders got away with £4,500.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Soldier shot in Ardoyne
A soldier has been shot and wounded when a gunman opened fire on a mobile patrol towing a broken down car in Butler Street, Ardoyne. He was not seriously hurt.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Army claim to have shot seven
The Army has claimed to have shot seven gunmen in gun battles in Derry, in the Andersonstown and Suffolk areas of Belfast, More that 500 shots have been fired at troops with the Army post at Lenadoon being the main target. The security forces were involved in 32 out of 45 shooting incidents and returned fire on 12 occasions. The shootings spread to the Hannahstown area where three definite hits were recorded. Two other gunmen are said to have been shot in Suffolk.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Two men shot in Derry
In Derry, the Army have claimed to have shot two gunmen during a night of sporadic attacks on Army posts. There were 18 separate shooting incidents reported in which a total of 66 rounds were fired at troops. Fire was returned on five occasions.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Arson attacks on Church hall
There have been two attempts to burn down a Methodist Church Hall on the Stewartstown Road, Belfast. At the first attempt residents discovered a 5-gallon drum of petrol at the rear of the wooden building. At the second attempt local people went to the scene and saw men and girl who left on foot. One of them was carrying a rifle.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Army patrol attacked
Troops have come under fire in the Cromac Street area of Belfast. A burst of automatic fire was directed at a patrol of the Welsh Guards from a passing Lotus Elan which then drove into East Belfast. There were no casualties.

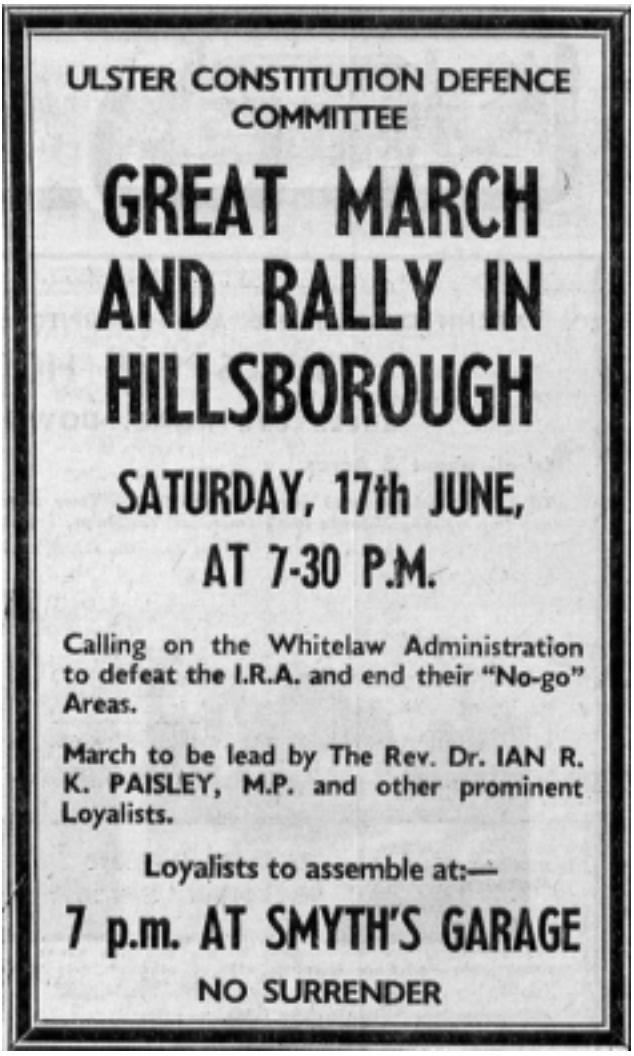
Friday 23rd June 1972
Telephone Exchange bombed
A 10lb bomb has exploded at a telephone exchange in Clady, putting 300 lines out of action.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Customs post bombed
A temporary customs post at Killea on the Derry-Donegal border has been destroyed by a 5lb bomb.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Army posts attacked
Gunmen in Derry opened fire on the Book Park post where at one stage several gunmen fired a total of 25 rounds. One burst of shots was directed at troops from a passing mini. A total of 18 shots were fired at troops manning a checkpoint on Craigavon Bridge. Other targets were observation posts on the city walls and Bligh's Lane. The main gun battles ended at 4.00am but at 6.20am a gunman fired a further



LEFT - Car in which two members of the RUC were ambushed at Andersonstown



eight shots at the Brandywell post. There were no casualties and fire was not returned.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Soldiers ambushed at Lisnaskea
An Army patrol has come under fire near the border at Lisnaskea. Between 20 and 30 shots were fired at the soldiers but fire was not returned and no one was injured. One bullet struck the Land Rover.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Army blows up car
The Army has blown up an abandoned car with a southern registration on the Newtownbutler- Clones Road.
The vehicle which had been crashed into a telegraph pole belonged to a Dublin car-hire firm had been stolen from Carrickmacross. Suspecting a booby trap, the Army blew up the vehicle.

Friday 23rd June 1972
Protestants picket RUC barracks
Fifteen Protestants have demonstrated outside Lisburn RUC barracks for an hour calling for the separation of Loyalist prisoners from "Republican murderers" and protested at the Whitelaw administration.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Soldiers killed on Glenshane Pass
Three soldiers have been killed on the Glenshane Pass near Dungiven. The soldiers Pte Christopher Stevenson, aged 24, of Birmingham; Lance Corporal David Moon, aged 24, of Bolton and Sergeant Stewart Carson, aged 26, were killed when two mines were detonated as their Land Rovers passed over two 60lb land mines. Two other soldiers were seriously injured in the attack. The IRA has admitted responsibility for the attack.

Saturday 24th June 1972
UDR man's home bombed
The home of a UDR man has been blown up at Urney, near Strabane. The house was empty at the time and no one was injured.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Railways bombed
All cross-border trains have been halted as Irish and British Army bomb experts worked to defuse deadly "barrel Bombs" which were planted on the main Belfast-Dublin railway line. The two bombs were later safely defused.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Soldier wounded in Belfast
A soldier, a member of the Royal Anglican Regiment, who was working on the roof of the Albert Street mill, has been shot by a sniper. Three shots were fired at the soldier. He was rushed to hospital but is not seriously injured.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Man shot in shop
A 53-year-old newsagent Mr Jack Leonard, has been taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital with a serious chest wound after a gunman opened fire in his Crumlin Road shop.

The gunman entered the shop demanding cigaretteS and when the newsagent refused the gunman fired three shots and ran out. A local clergyman has said that earlier three youths, along with a fourth armed with a handgun had entered another shop demanding money and when they were told she had no notes, he demanded a packet of Woodbine. When she put a packet of twenty on the counter he said he wanted a ten packet. The man then fired a shot and ran out.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Youth shot dead from passing car
An 18-year-old Youth, Patrick McCullough, of Marsden Gardens, Belfast has been shot dead outside a bank at the corner of Atlantic Avenue and Antrim Road. He had been standing along with his girl friend and other friends when a car drove slowly passed and a gunman opened fire.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Man shot in Markets area
The RUC have established that Patrick Heath, who is seriously ill in hospital was shot by a car driver who stopped him in the Markets area of Belfast and asked him street directions. The incident happened in Cromac Street at around 11.30pm.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Soldier shot in Short Strand
A soldier has been wounded when a gunman opened fire on troops in the Albertbridge Road area. The soldier, who is a member of the 23rd Engineers Regiment, was standing in Lisbon Street when he was hit by one of ten automatic shots fired from the vicinity of Madrid Street. He was not seriously hurt.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Heavy shooting in Belfast
There was heavy shooting in several areas of Belfast overnight and in one attack on British soldiers over 10 shots were directed at a sentry in the bus depot at the junction of the Glen and Falls Road. The shots came from positions in Arizona Street and the Falls Park. Sixty-three shots were fired by the soldiers but no hits were recorded.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Bomb damages church hall
A small bomb has damaged the exterior of a Methodist church hall at Suffolk and slightly damaged the nearby church. There have already been two other attempts this week to destroy the same building.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Military police ambushed
Three or four shots have been directed at a military policeman who was examining a suspicious car at Queens Square. An RUC spokesman said that the shots came from a nearby mill. Fire was returned but no hits were recorded. A search of the mill revealed nothing.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Attack on M1
An Army personnel carrier has been fired near the junction of the M1 and Donegal Road. No one was injured in the attack.



LEFT - Derelict house near Lurgan where three soldiers were killed by a booby-trap bomb

Saturday 24th June 1972
Chemical explosives found
Soldiers have discovered a large quantity of chemical explosives in the New Lodge area of Belfast. The 170lb haul was detected when soldiers noticed a peculiar smell coming from a house in Spamount Street.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Falls Explosion
An explosion has been heard in the Falls Road - Roden Street area but no damage was reported.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Shots fired at car
Three shots were fired at the driver of a vehicle in an effort to force him to stop near the junction of the Springfield Road and Dunboyne Park. The bullets struck the vehicle but the driver was uninjured.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Arson attack at Belfast pub
The RUC are investigating a fire which has caused some damage a new part of the Errigal Inn public house on the Ormeau Road. A youth was seen running away from the premises and it is thought that the fire was started deliberately.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Attacks in Suffolk
There has been heavy gunfire in the Suffolk area during the evening and it's thought that on some occasions the security forces were not involved. Blast bombs were also thrown at an Army post in Lenadoon Avenue. The sniper is said to have been operating from the vicinity of the Colin Glen bacon factory.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Bomb carried from hotel
Two hotel guests have carried a 100lb bomb from the Derg Valley hotel after it had been left in the hallway by two masked men. They took it a short way and dumped it in a hedge. Soldiers later took the crate to a safer area and it was dealt with by an Army explosives expert.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Bomb at Forkhill public house
An Ulsterbus and two vans were damaged when a bomb exploded at the rear of the Welcome Inn public house in Forkhill. One person was taken to hospital with lacerations. An electricity transformer at the rear of the Slieve Gullion Inn has been damaged by another explosion. There were some power cuts in the area.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Car bomb defused at Newtownhamilton
An Army bomb disposal expert has defused a 150lb bomb which was left outside Newtownhamilton RUC barracks. The building was evacuated during the operation.

Saturday 24th June 1972
UDR man attacked
A UDR man had a narrow escape when a gunman opened fire on his car from another car which overtook him on a road at Tullygally. The windscreen of the vehicle was shattered but the UDR man was unhurt.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Hi-jacking at Kilkeel
Two youths, armed with revolver, have fired at a car at Dublin Bridge, Kilkeel but the bullets failed to



RIGHT - Bomb attack on the Victoria Weaving Company at Ligoniel







break the windscreen. The driver was forced out of his car which was driven off by the youths in the direction of Warrenpoint.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Customs office destroyed
A caravan used as a customs office at Newtownbutler has been damaged by an overnight bomb. No one was hurt in the attack.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Electricity transformer destroyed
An electricity transformer has been damaged by another bomb. This is the fourth time the transformer has been attacked.

Saturday 24th June 1972
Incendiary device discovered
An incendiary bomb, which was concealed in a cigarette packet, has been found in a furniture store at English Street just before closing time. The device burst into flames but no damage was caused.

Saturday 24th June 1972
UDR man in Vanguard parade
A member of the UDR, who was stated to have thrown a bottle in the direction of the security forces while taking part in a Vanguard parade in Cookstown on 19th May has been fined £10. He is 18-year-old David James Alcorn of Limavady.

TOP & MIDDLE - IRA bomb attack on the Woodvale Arms pub in the Shankill area of West Belfast
BOTTOM - Residents clearing up after the explosion

Saturday 24th June 1972
Whitelaw staff met IRA claims Vanguard
A leading member of Vanguard, James Rodgers, has alleged at a Protestant rally in Ballymena that two members of Mr Whitelaw's staff attended a meeting with the IRA and SDLP MP's in Dublin.

Monday 26th June 1972
Nine arrested after robberies
Nine gunmen have been detained by the RUC in Belfast after a dramatic swoop on a car and a bakery as raiders fled from two hold ups in the city. A girl hostage is still missing after the raid at the Northern Bank on Malone Road and a man who had been taken hostage by six gunmen who raided Bernard Hughes Bakery on the Springfield Road was rescued unharmed. Two .45 revolvers, two pistols, one Sten gun and a double barrelled shotgun was also seized.

Monday 26th June 1972
Man shot near border
A man from County Antrim has been wounded between Bundoran and the border. The man from Toombridge has been living in the South for some time. The man, aged 35, was shot twice above the right knee and was dumped from a passing car.

Monday 26th June 1972
IRA ceasefire
With the IRA ceasefire to begin at midnight the security forces will reciprocate by ceasing to make attests under the detention and internment regulations of the Special Powers Act.

Monday 26th June 1972
Man wounded in Robbery
A 29-year-old Fermanagh postmaster has been shot in the leg in an armed hold-up in Pettigo. The postmaster was shot in the thigh as his wife attempted to foil the robbery by raising the alarm. A bus driver, who was mistaken for an RUC man, was also shot.

Monday 26th June 1972
Army burns stolen car
A car which had been parked outside Ballynacombs Orange Hall, Bellaghy has been set on fire by the Army. It was one of three which had been stolen from outside a dance marquee during the night. One of the others was used in the explosion at the Hawthorne Hotel near Portglenone.

Monday 26th June 1972
Bomb scare on Railway
Cross border trains have once more been disrupted when a suspect booby trap bombs were placed at a bridge over the Belfast-Dublin line. The line was closed while Army experts examined two lorries which were parked on a bridge at Kilnasaggart.

Monday 26th June 1972
Hotel bombed
The 15 bedroom Lambeg House Hotel has been totally destroyed when a 150lb bomb was placed inside it. There were no guests in the hotel at the time and the owner said that due to earlier threats that the hotel would be bombed it had proved impossible to get night staff. No one was injured in the attack.

Monday 26th June 1972
Cement works attacked
Extensive damage has been caused to the £4 million cement works owned by Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers. Armed raid-



RIGHT - Troops searching through the rubble after a bomb attack on a pub on the Springfield Road

ers fired shots to frighten security staff at the plant. The bomb, which made up of 250lbs of explosives, was planted by two men, who were armed with an M1 Carbine and a Thompson submachine gun. It was driven into the plant inside a lorry. It exploded 20 minutes later causing damage to a number of loading bays.

Monday 26th June 1972
Bomb scare on Railway
Half of the single storey Ulsterbus office at Edward Street has been wrecked by a bomb which was planted by two armed men.

Monday 26th June 1972
Seven killed in run up to truce
It has been estimated that at least seven people have been killed in the run up to the IRA ceasefire and at least ten IRA members are claimed by the Army to have been shot. And approximately 1,000 rounds of ammunition have been fired at troops.

Monday 26th June 1972
Man shot dead on Springfield Road
A man has been shot dead by British soldiers in the Springfield Road area of Belfast. The man, named as 19-year-old James Bonnar, of Iveagh Street in the Springfield Road area of Belfast. He was shot dead by a soldier who claimed that one shot was fired from a car near the junction of the Whiterock and Glenalina Road.

Monday 26th June 1972
Man shot in Springmartin area
A 29-year-old Protestant, John Brown, of Blackmountain Park, Belfast, has been found shot dead near Blackmountain Parade in the Springfield Road area. The RUC say he had been shot in the chest and that he had other injuries that could indicate that he was beaten up. Mr Brown, a native of Scotland, was married with one child.

Monday 26th June 1972
700 shots fired in the Suffolk-Andersonstown area
The most constant shooting of the weekend occurred in the Suffolk-Andersonstown area, where more than 700 shots were fired by up to 20 gunmen at troops and Army posts.



Monday 26th June 1972
Petrol Bomber shot
During attacks in the Unity Flats area, troops claimed to have shot a petrol bomber. He was taken away by ambulance.

Monday 26th June 1972
Gun and bomb attacks
One soldier has been slightly wounded when gunmen fired at troops in the area of Glenravel Street Barracks. Troops also came under attack from petrol and blast bombs. In another attack an RUC reservist was shot in the abdomen in a gun attack at Baltic Avenue. He is not seriously injured.

Monday 26th June 1972
Man shot in Old Lodge Road area
A man has been brought to hospital after a shooting in Clonlig Street in the Old Lodge Road area of Belfast. He is reported to have been found with gunshot wounds to his arms and legs and with a hood over his head. The RUC are investigating the incident.

Monday 26th June 1972
Short Strand shooting
In the Mountpottinger area, two youths opened fire on an Army post at Short Strand. Troops returned fire but did not claim any hits.

Monday 26th June 1972
Railway bridge bombed
A small railway bridge carrying the main Belfast-Larne railway line

LEFT - IRA car bomb attack in Galgorm Street, Ballymena

over a river at Quay Road, Whitehouse, has been damaged by a 15lb bomb but trains are continuing to run normally.

Monday 26th June 1972
Incendiary attack at factory
Another fire has caused extensive damage to the Victoria Weaving Company's premises at Ligoniel. The RUC believe the blaze was started by incendiary devices.

Monday 26th June 1972
Gun attacks at bars
Protestant and Catholic crowds have attacked each other after shots were fired from a passing car at the Protestant owned Princess Bar in Bankmore Street, off Ormeau Road. Windows in the Catholic owned Gondola Bar were smashed and an RUC man was injured when he was hit with an iron bar. An RUC patrol car was also damaged.

CITY OF BELFAST

Order relating to the leaving of unattended vehicles

I, David McClure Chesney, being a Chief Superintendent of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, stationed at Tennent Street, Belfast, by virtue of an Order made under Regulation 33 of the Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act, (N.I.) 1922, and having consulted with the local Road Authority for the area, hereby designate the following roads as a designated zone:—

1. Peter's Hill.
2. Shankill Road.
3. Woodvale Road from its junction with Shankill Road to its junction with Woodvale Avenue.

I also hereby direct that the said roads shall be prohibited for the use, waiting or leaving of all classes of u n a t t e n d e d vehicles between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays inclusive.

The Provisions of this Order shall come into force at 8 a.m. on 22nd June, 1972.

David McClure Chesney,
Chief Superintendent.

Dated this 20th day of June, 1972.

Monday 26th June 1972
Explosives discovered
Almost 200lbs of explosives have been found during a search of a vacant house in the Limestone Road.

Monday 26th June 1972
Soldier dies in Armagh
Trooper Barry Dolan, of Huddersfield, who was serving with the 4/7th Dragoon Guards, has died from gunshot wounds at an Army sandbag post. Army Officers are investigating the incident but it is believed that he was killed by an accidental discharge.

Monday 26th June 1972
Creamery bombed
Two large stores at the Fane Valley creamery at Newtownhamilton have been badly damaged by explosions after eight men, who were mostly armed, planted bombs on the premises.

Monday 26th June 1972
Customs caravan destroyed
A caravan which is used by customs officials on the Newry-Omeath road has been destroyed by fire. And in a separate attack the South Down Rural Offices at Newcastle Road, Kilkeel, has been damaged by a bomb.

Monday 26th June 1972
Creamery damaged in Bomb attack
A creamery at Tassagh near Keady has been damaged by a 100lb bomb which was planted by three masked gunmen.

Monday 26th June 1972
Lurgan bar bombed
Blaney's Bar, which adjoins the local RUC barracks at Church Place, has been wrecked by a bomb. The bomb was planted by raiders who were armed with automatic weapons

Monday 26th June 1972
Earth moving equipment bombed
An earth moving machine has been damaged by a bomb at the site of the new M2 motorway near Randalstown.

Monday 26th June 1972
Agricultural college attacked
Extensive damage has been caused to the administrative wing of the pig testing station attached to Greenmount Agricultural College by two explosions. Firemen from Aldergrove fought a serious blaze which broke out.

Monday 26th June 1972
Bomb attack in Portglenone
Extensive damage has been caused to the Hawthorne Inn, Kilrea Road, by a bomb which exploded in a car after an anonymous telephone warning.

Monday 26th June 1972
Shots fired in Newry
The RUC came under automatic fire from the Derrybeg estate and 40 shots have been fired at troops.

Monday 26th June 1972
Ministry of Agriculture offices attacked
Two explosions have rocked the ministry of Agriculture offices, formerly used as an RUC barracks.

Monday 26th June 1972
Claymore mine injures UDR man
Two explosions have rocked the Ministry of Agriculture offices at Draperstown which was formerly used as an RUC barracks. Nearby a UDR man was injured when a claymore type mine exploded near a military vehicle. Shots were also fired at the patrol and soldiers claim one hit.

Monday 26th June 1972
Strabane bomb attacks
In Strabane a bomb has exploded in a car which was planted at Vic-





LEFT - Military patrols in Belfast city centre.
FACING PAGE - Members of the Provisional IRA remove one of their barricades in the Bogside area of Derry

toria Bridge. Extensive damage was caused by the device. An electricity transformer at Laurel Drive was damaged by the bomb and a mechanical digger on the Ballycolman estate.

Monday 26th June 1972
Arson attack a Derrylin
A six-bed-room cottage owned by the Earl of Erne has been badly damaged by a fire. The RUC are believed to be treating the fire as arson.

Monday 26th June 1972
Shots fired at Belleek
Shots have been fired at the local RUC barracks in Belleek by four gunmen but no one was injured. Fire was returned but they did not claim any hits.

Monday 26th June 1972
Explosives fund in Enniskillen
Around 30lbs of gelignite has been found among the debris of the Sunflower Hotel in Enniskillen which was wrecked by a bomb on Sunday. The explosives were detonated by an Army expert.

Monday 26th June 1972
UDR man shot at Lisnaskea
At Lisnaskea, a pumping station has been damaged by an explosion and a UDR man going off duty in the Newtownbutler area was wounded by a gunman.

Monday 26th June 1972
Coalisland RUC barracks attacked
Thirty shots have been fired at Coalisland RUC barracks and Moy Barracks has also come under fire. No one was injured in either attack.

Monday 26th June 1972
Castlederg hotel destroyed
Part of the Derg Valley Hotel has been destroyed in a bomb attack. It is only 24 hours since the last attack was foiled.

Monday 26th June 1972
Cottage demolished by bomb
An Army explosives expert has detonated a charge of explosives at a thatched cottage in Dungannon, after the RUC received an anonymous telephone call saying it had been booby trapped.
The building was demolished.



Monday 26th June 1972
Injured soldiers are improving
Two soldiers who were seriously ill after an explosion wrecked their Land Rover and killed three other soldiers are said to have improved slightly.

Monday 26th June 1972
GAA man painted and feathered
A 24-year-old GAA footballer has been painted and feathered after being seized at MacRory Park. The man, who is from the Ardboe area, is a member of the Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa, in an intermediate championship. He was forcibly removed from the dressing room by a number of men, taken away, painted and feathered. On returning to the park the footballer was paraded in front of the crowd.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
IRA Ceasefire
On the first day of the IRA ceasefire, the Secretary of State has conferred with his advisers at Stormont but he is not expected to issue a statement

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Senior IRA men back in Belfast
It is widely believed that the Provisional IRA's "Top Brass" are back in the city after the IRA declared its ceasefire. It would appear that the IRA has successfully argued that if the "truce" is to work then their senior commanders must have the freedom in their own areas to keep hotheads in line.



Tuesday 27th June 1972
Lorry driver shot dead
The body of 38-year-old Mr Bernard Norney, a lorry driver, of New Barnsley Crescent has been taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital. He had been shot in the back and was dead on arrival. A bread server has said that he was ordered to leave his van and to drive the dying man to the hospital by car.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Soldier dies in East Belfast
The last man to die before midnight was Staff Sergeant Malcolm Banks, of the 23rd Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, who was killed by a single sniper's bullet when a military Land Rover was ambushed near the junction with Seaford Street and Comber Street in East Belfast.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Belfast youth dies
A Belfast youth has died in hospital almost eight hours after he and six other people were shot when a gunman opened fire on a Protestant crowd from the Catholic side of Duncairn Gardens during a confrontation in the city. He has been named as 18-year-old William Galloway, of Hogarth Street, off the Duncairn Gardens.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Army detonates bomb
The Army have detonated a bomb that they could not defuse at the premises of Star Taxis at Crumlin Road. Many people, including prisoners in one wing of Belfast Jail were moved to safety as the experts fired a bazooka rocket at the bomb. It exploded causing extensive damage to the taxi firm's premises and surrounding buildings.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Car bomb explodes in Belfast
Thousands of pounds worth of Damage has been caused to premises and shops in Lower North Street after a massive car bomb exploded causing a fierce fire.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Mortar and mortar shells seized
An Army patrol which followed a car into Elizabeth Street has seized a two inch mortar and six mortar shells. The RUC say the men in the car escaped and that there had been an attempt to fire the shells at some stage.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
University building bombed
A Wooden building used by Queens University at Malone Avenue has been badly damaged by a bomb. No one was hurt but several other buildings were damaged in the attack.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Gunman shot in North Belfast
During the various shooting incidents in the Bone and Ardoyne areas, troops have claimed to have shot one gunman.

The shooting did not, however, end at midnight. Shots were fired at soldiers in Manor Street, Melbourne Street, Etna Drive, Hooker Street, Albert Street and in Queen Street near the city centre. No soldiers were injured in these attacks. Soldiers also came under fire in the Markets area and from the grounds of the Holy Cross Chapel.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Troops given Beer and cigarettes in Clonard area
In the Clonard area of Belfast soldiers were given beer and cigarettes by local residents. An Army spokesman said that it appeared the beer come from a lorry which had been hi-jacked.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Barricades ablaze
Barricades at Short Strand and the Ravenhill Road have been set alight but there was no trouble.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Soldier killed in Derry
The IRA has admitted responsibility for the shooting dead in Derry of a 20-year-old soldier. The soldier, Rifleman James Meredith, of Notts, was serving with the Royal Greenjackets. He was shot in the stomach and shoulder with a Thompson submachine gun at Abercorn Road.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Bomb at reservoir
Army experts have defused a 200lb bomb left on the roadway near the site of a reservoir being built at Croppy Hill on the outskirts of Derry. Armed men made about a dozen workmen wait in a hut while, they said, they were planting the bomb in the basin of the reservoir. But Army experts found the bomb at the side of a road and according to an Army source it appeared to be an ambush attempt.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Fishing boats bombed
Four commercial fishing boats belonging to Foyle Fisheries Commission which were anchored at Newbuildings have been damaged in explosions.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Customs post bombed
A temporary building used by customs at Molenan, four miles from Derry, has been wrecked by a bomb. No one was injured.



FACING PAGE - Bomb attack on the Pig Progeny Testing Station near Antrim.
BELOW -The remains of a military Land-Rover in which three soldiers died after a landmine attack near Dungiven

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Army patrol attacked
The Army in Derry only reported one incident in the city after midnight. At 1.20am a member of a foot patrol fired a shot at a gunman in Carlisle Road but did not claim a hit.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
UDR patrol attacked
A UDR patrol escaped injury when shots were fired at the entrance to the UDR Camp. One shot hit their Land Rover. An explosion also damaged a building used by the Craigavon Development Commission and the Windsor Laundry was also badly damaged by a bomb. No one was injured.





Tuesday 27th June 1972
Bomb explodes in Camlough
Seven people were treated for cuts and shock after a bomb exploded at the Lough Inn public house. The bomb was planted by three armed and masked men.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Armagh bomb attacks
The Shaw Tyre and Battery Company's premises at Loughgall Road have been partly demolished by a bomb. A man cycling past at the time of the blast was blown on to the road but escaped injury.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Customs caravan bombed
A caravan which was being used as a temporary customs post at Kinawley has been wrecked by a 10lb bomb and a shop and filling station owned by a member of Newry No. 2 Rural Council was attacked by armed men and set on fire.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Strabane explosions
In the hour leading up to midnight there was four explosions in the

TOP- The church hall of the Suffolk Methodist Church, Stewartstown Road, after a bomb attack
LEFT - Bomb attack on the offices of Northern Ireland Carriers, Grosvenor Road



Anything for a bit of chocolate on the New Lodge Road

Strabane area and just after midnight a bomb damaged an electricity transformer at Ashgrove Park.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Mystery explosion
At 11.00pm there was a mystery explosion in the Clady area. It has not yet been traced.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Gun and Bomb attacks
A sewage works was bombed in Sion Mills at 11.40pm and at 11.55pm two masked gunmen ordered members from the Strabane Golf Club, before planting a bomb which destroyed the temporary premises. At 11.30pm 10 shots were fired at Strabane RUC Barracks. There were no casualties and fire was not returned.



Tuesday 27th June 1972
Loyalist women meet Whitelaw
The Secretary of State, Mr Whitelaw is said to have "lost his temper, spluttered and thumped his chair" when he met representatives of the Loyalist Women's Association at Stormont. An unofficial source has claimed that the deputation made some points reasonably and then started to shout and fire points a Mr Whitelaw, giving him no time to answer. Finally he lost his temper and the women left.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
Bogus nuns rob bank
Three women have walked into a bank dressed as nuns, produced guns and got away with an undisclosed sum of money. The robbery took place just before closing time at the Allied Irish Bank in Castle Street.

Tuesday 27th June 1972
UDA guard Ballymena pubs
Armed with pickaxe handles members of the UDA stood guard outside Ballymena's remaining pubs. The vigil was in case the IRA should have a "final fling" in a town which suffered its first IRA activity only a week ago with a bomb at Rainey's Bar.

LEFT - Car bomb explosion in North Street

Tuesday 27th June 1972
RUC man's widow discharged
The 19-year-old widow of an RUC man shot dead on Monday has been discharged from hospital after spending the night under observation. Constable David Houston, was shot three times as he struggled with one of three armed men in Water Street.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
IRA patrols streets
Provisional IRA men, some of them carrying guns, have been patrolling the streets in the Ballymurphy area of Belfast in an attempt by the IRA to police the district. The IRA has said it will assume responsibility for law and order. In Derry it was decided that the RUC and Army are unacceptable in the areas and that the Provisionals should continue to police the Bogside and Creggan.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
UDA funeral
More than 500 uniformed members of the Ulster Defence Association marched through Belfast City Centre in the organisations first military style funeral. Two platoons of men and boys, all dressed in khaki battle jackets and hats, with many wearing sunglasses walked in for-

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mation behind the coffin of John Lunden Brown, a native of Scotland who was a member of the UDA. He was buried in Rose Lawn Cemetery.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Hi-jacking in Derry

Three armed men, at least one of them armed have hi-jacked a car in Sackville Street, Derry. On being asked if they were responsible an IRA spokesman said that he did not know yet of who had carried it out as he had just heard of it. But he added that the Officials had hi-jacked three cars in Free Derry and that the Provisionals returned them to their owners. The spokesman said that the IRA was determined to stamp out hijacking in the area.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Bomb in TV store

Army bomb disposal experts have dismantled an explosive device in a TV store in Lurgan. It contained 15lbs of gelignite. The area around the William Street store was cleared as the box with wires leading from it was examined. An Army marksman attempted to fire shots into the box but couldn't get a clear line of fire.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Explosives find

Army bomb disposal experts have found five pounds of synthetic explosives some blast bombs and a length of cortex fuse in the Springfield Road. It was first thought that an Army explosives expert was going to detonate it on the spot but he took it away and rendered it harmless.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
IRA ceasefire

The Provisional IRA's ceasefire was still being obeyed by its supporters, although two small car bombs exploded and there were several other minor incidents. The car bombs exploded within ten minutes of each other in two East Belfast streets but little damage was done to property. The first vehicle had been stolen from Elm Street, off Donegal Pass and exploded in Kilmood Street, near Bryson Street.

The second car blew up in nearby Perry Street. The RUC believe that the whole charge did not detonate and the Army later defused the 50lb bomb which was made up of homemade explosives. The car had been stolen in Conduit Street, also off Donegal Pass. Both wings of the IRA have denied they were responsible for the blasts.





TOP - Bomb attack at Star Taxis on the Crumlin Road
BOTTOM - IRA bomb attack on the Lambeg House Hotel.
FACING PAGE - An army engineer makes the ruins of the Lambeg House Hotel safe

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Bomb Victims Relief Fund
The bomb relief fund now totals £22,000. Around half of this money has already been paid out to victims or their relatives.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
RUC men attacked
Eight shots have been fired at two RUC Reservists in Alexandra Avenue. Neither of the RUC men were injured in the attack.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Newry bomb attack
An unexploded bomb has been found under a Ministry of Agriculture digger at Tullagh, near Newry. The fuse of the 70lb bomb had burned out. The bomb was defused by an Army expert

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Sniper attack in Strabane
One shot has been fired at soldiers guarding a television transmitter in Strabane. The soldier was not injured and fire was not returned.



Wednesday 28th June 1972
Shot man dies in hospital
A Belfastman has died in hospital from a gunshot wound he received on the 21st May. The man, John Black, aged 32, of Beechpark Street died in the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Hunger strike at Curragh
Seven Republicans in the Curragh Camp in County Kildare have started a hunger strike in support of a demand for treatment as "political prisoners." A spokesman for Kevin Street Sinn Fein said that if the demand was not accepted then more prisoners would join the strike each week.

Wednesday 28th June 1972
Army deny UDR walkout
A report that 50 men of 'C' Company, Ballymena DR walked off duty at midnight on Monday has been denied by the Army. A claim that the men had resigned over the curtailment of their powers of arrest has been described by a UDR spokesman as being malicious and untrue.

Thursday 29th June 1972
UDA out in force
More than 500 members of the Ulster Defence Association marched down the Newtownards Road behind the coffin of one of their members. This is the second time in two days that the UDA have turned out





in force for a military style funeral. He man being buried was John Black, aged 32, of Beechpark Street. He is described as being a volunteer in 'D' Company UDA.

Thursday 29th June 1972
IRA men die in car crash

It has been revealed that the two Belfastmen, Anthony Jordan of Carrigart Avenue, Andersonstown and John Finucane of Dungloe Crescent, who died when their car struck a lamp standard on the Falls Road early on Wednesday were officers in the IRA. Death notices in the Irish News describe Jordan as being a Lieutenant and Finucane a section leader in 'F' Company, 1st Battalion, of the Belfast Brigade.

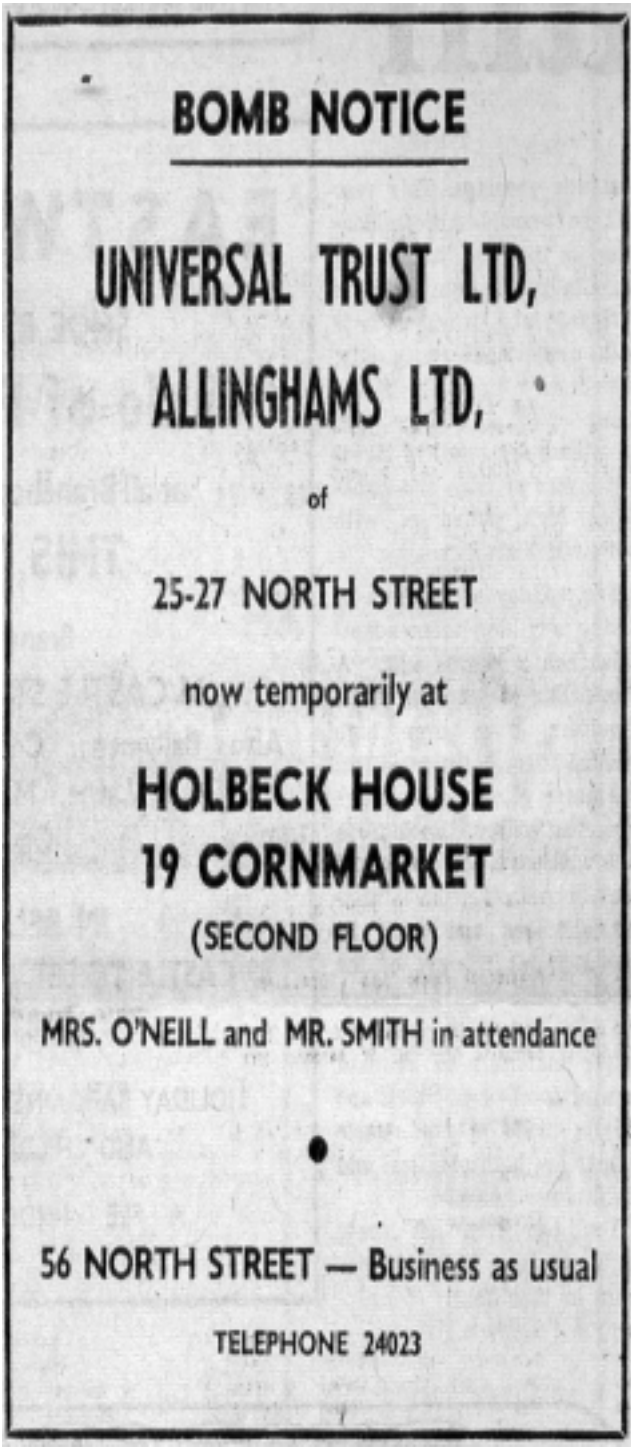
Thursday 29th June 1972
UDA barricades

The UDA are to erect barricades in different parts of the North this weekend and the 'Inner Council' has said that they will stay up until the No-go areas of the Bogside and Creggan have ended.

Thursday 29th June 1972
IRA suspects awarded compensation

The first batch of about 30 IRA suspects arrested in the internment swoop of August 1971 are to be awarded about £120,000 in compensation. Their compensation is not for being interned rather because they were not informed of which regulation they were being detained under, which meant that all

LEFT - IRA bomb attack in Lower North Street



those initially detained by soldiers were wrongfully arrested

Thursday 29th June 1972
IRA stop motorists for speeding

Several local motorists have been stopped for alleged speeding offences in the Ballymurphy area of Belfast by local IRA patrols. Drivers are being warned that if they continue to speed then action will be taken against them or their firms.

Thursday 29th June 1972
Vanguard Parade to be policed by IRA

Members of Vanguard will be taking to the streets of Armagh for the first time today. However, the Official IRA has said that the Catholic areas of the City will be policed by their units when the Ulster Vanguard members parade through the city. Until the Armagh Command of the Official IRA issued their statement there was no plans by the security forces to change the route of the march. A spokesman for Vanguard has said that the re-routing will be accepted by them but under protest

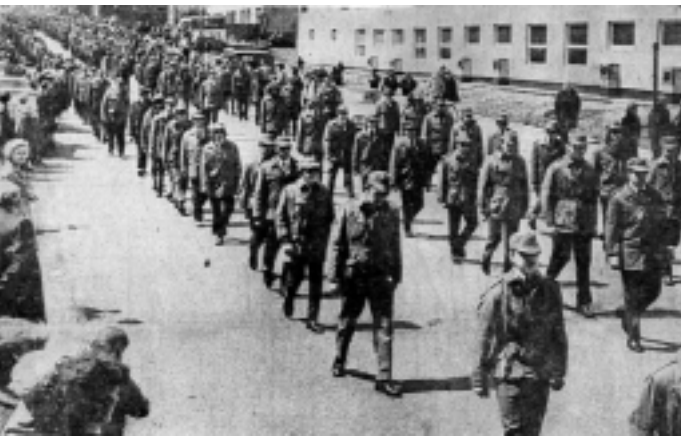
Friday 30th June 1972
IRA removes three barricades

The Provisional IRA in Derry have removed three of the main barricade in the Bogside and at the same time the Army have announced its withdrawal from its post in the vicinity of the no-go area. The barricades which are being dismantled are those at Fahan Street, the Little Diamond and Rossville Street flats. The IRA, who have agreed to their removal say the barricades are coming down partly because they are rat

infested and a health hazard and they insist that the Bogside remains a no-go area

Friday 30th June 1972
Vehicles hi-jacked on Shankill
Four vans, a lorry and a mechanical digger were hi-jacked as the UDA deadline approached. RUC headquarters the vehicles were taken at around midday – two laundry vans on the Shankill Road and a lorry from the Corporation yard at Sydenham. An hour later a mechanical digger was hi-jacked at Ainsworth Avenue, a van at North Street and a van at Ballysillan Park. An RUC spokesman said that as yet the vehicles have not been located and he was assuming that they were being stored somewhere until evening.

Friday 30th June 1972
Army finds three mines
Three claymore type mines thought to have been planted before the IRA ceasefire have been found on a border road near Garrison, Fermanagh. They were discovered by troops of 16/5th Lancers and later blown up on the spot by Army experts.





Friday 30th June 1972
Armed robbery in Strabane
Three armed men have gotten away with about £6,000 from the Munster and Leinster Bank in Strabane. Two of the raiders were armed with pistols and the third with a submachine gun. It is understood that no shots were fired during the raid nr was anyone in injured.

Friday 30th June 1972
Tyrone demonstrations banned
The Government has banned two parades in Coalisland, County Tyrone. One is to be held on Saturday by the Ulster Protestant Volunteers and the second is a meeting being organised in the town by the civil resistance committee.

Friday 30th June 1972
RUC men and Marines sent for trial
Two Royal Marines and two RUC men have been sent for trail on a charge of jointly assaulting and causing actual bodily harm to a 24-year-old Tyrone man while he was being taken to the prison ship, Maidstone.

Friday 30th June 1972
IRA to patrol cemetery
The Derry command of the Provisional IRA has appealed to parents to prevent their children from using Derry City cemetery as a playground. A spokesman said they were abhorred to find the cemetery, which is in the "Free Derry" area

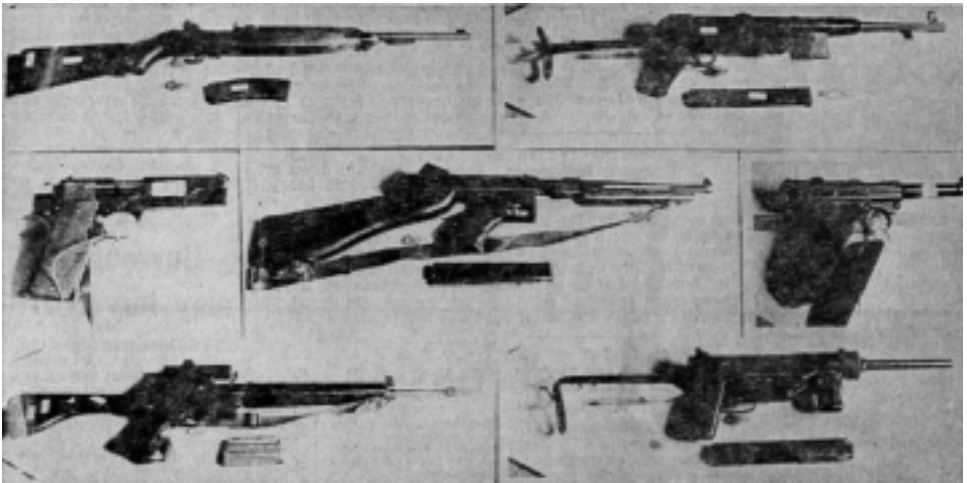
TOP - UDA funeral of John Brown
BOTTOM - UDA funeral of John Black

as a playground. They asked parents to remind their children that the cemetery is a place they should show respect. He went on to say that we realise there are very few playing facilities in the area but it is hoped in the future to increase them.

Friday 30th June 1972
Difficult to make IRA illegal in Britain says Maudling
Legislation making it an offence to belong to the IRA while in Britain would involve considerable difficulties in definition and enforcement said the Home Secretary in the Commons. He also stated that such a move could not be justified in present circumstanced.



RIGHT - Members of the UDA marching in Belfast's North Street.
BELOW - Some of the IRA's favourite weapons.
Top - M1 Carbine and Schmeisser sub-machinegun.
Middle - Browning 9mm automatic, Thompson sub-machinegun and Luger automatic.
Bottom - Armalite AR180 and M3 sub-machinegun



THOSE WHO DIED

VICTOR HUSBAND
AGED 23
2nd June 1972
Mr Husband was a soldier in the Royal Artillery who was killed alongside Gunner Brian Robertson in an IRA land mine explosion near Rosslea. He came from Middlesborough.

BRIAN ROBERTSON
AGED 23
2nd June 1972
Mr Robertson, a soldier in the Royal Artillery, was killed alongside Victor Husband. He came from Sunderland.

GERALD MURRAY
AGED 26
4th June 1972
Mr Murray was shot dead by UVF gunmen at the front door of a record shop in which he worked in Annesley Street on the Antrim Road. He came from Lisburn.

GEORGE LEE
AGED 22
6th June 1972
A soldier in the Duke of Wellington Regiment, Private Lee was shot dead by an IRA sniper while on foot patrol in the Ballymurphy district in West Belfast.
He came from Leeds.

CHARLES COLEMAN
AGED 29
7th June 1972
A soldier in the Royal Artillery, he was shot dead by an IRA sniper in the Andersonstown area while on mobile patrol. When troops moved in for a follow-up operation they came under sustained gunfire. Mr Coleman came from Byfleet in Surrey.

SAM DONEGAN
AGED 61
8th June 1972
A Garda inspector, he was fatally injured while investigating reports that a bomb had been left at the Cavan-Fermanagh border at Leggakilly. An Irish Army lieutenant was also injured in the blast.

NORMAN CAMPBELL
AGED 19
8th June 1972
He was shot dead by loyalist gunmen while working on the construction of flats in the Shankill Road area. Although a Catholic from the Turf Lodge area he was engaged to a Protestant and was due to be married in five weeks time.

EDWARD MEGAHEY
AGED 45
9th June 1972
A member of the UDR, Mr Megahey was injured in an IRA sniper attack. A convoy of armoured vehicles in which he was travelling came under fire in the Buncrana Road area of Derry.

ROY STAUNTON
AGED 27
9th June 1972
A member of the UDR, he was shot dead by the IRA as he left work in the Finaghy Road North area. A youth accompanied by a girl ran out in front of his car and opened fire, killing Mr Staunton and injuring two women passengers.

JEAN SMITH
AGED 24
9th June 1972
She was shot on the Glen Road close to her home at Tardree Park in the Andersonstown area of West Belfast. It is unknown who shot



Jean Smith

Mrs Smith but at the time there was speculation that it was either the Military Reaction Force or the Provisional IRA who mistook her car for an undercover military vehicle.



Marion Brown

MARION BROWN
AGED 17
10th June 1972
She was shot dead by the UDA moments after kissing her boyfriend goodnight in the Grosvenor Road area. He was hit in the face and a number of oth-

ers were injured in the drive-by shooting. She came from Stanhope Street in the Unity Flats district.

HUGH MADDEN
AGED 43
11th June 1972
He was shot dead by the UDA as he sweeped the footpath in front of his shop on the Oldpark Road. Immediately after his killing a fierce gun battle broke out and continued for sometime. Due to this an ambulance was prevented from getting to Mr Madden's body.



Joseph Campbell

JOSEPH CAMPBELL
AGED 17
11th June 1972
A member of the IRA's youth wing, Joseph Campbell was shot dead by troops in the Ardoyne area of North Belfast during a heavy gun battle.



Norman McGrath

NORMAN McGRATH
AGED 18
11th June 1972
Norman was shot dead by troops returning fire after coming under attack by Loyalist gunmen. He was found sitting upright in his car by an ambulance crew in Alloa Street in the Manor Street area of North Belfast. The teenager, who came from Coningsby Street off the Crumlin Road lost his leg a year earlier when gunmen shot him from a passing car on the Oldpark Road.

WILLIAM RAISTRICK
AGED 18
11th June 1972
A soldier in the Royal Artillery, Gunner Raistrick was shot dead in an IRA gun attack on a sentry post in the Rosemount area of Derry.

ALAN GILES
AGED 18
12th June 1972
Alan was a soldier in the Royal Regiment of Wales shot and injured in an IRA gun attack in the Ardoyne area of North Belfast the previous day. He died in the Royal Victoria Hospital.

CHARLES CONNOR
AGED 32
16th June 1972
Charles was abducted by members of the UDA in Castlereagh Street and found a short time later shot in the head near Shaw's Bridge. He had a history of mental illness and was badly beaten before being killed.

JOHN JOHNSTON
AGED 59
16th June 1972
From Marlborough Street in Derry, Mr Johnston was the first person to be shot on Bloody Sunday when the army opened fire on a civil rights protest. He had been hit in the arms, legs and hand. He recovered but soon after became ill and a brain tumour was diagnosed which, it is believed, resulted from a heavy fall he received on Bloody Sunday.



Arthur McMillan



Colin Leslie

ARTHUR McMILLAN
AGED 37
18th June 1972
A soldier in the Gordon Highlanders he was one of three soldiers killed in an IRA bomb attack near Lurgan. They were part of a patrol searching a house when the

booby trap device went off.

COLIN LESLIE
AGED 26
18th June 1972
A lance corporal in the Gordon Highlanders, he was killed alongside Arthur McMillan in an IRA bomb attack near Lurgan.

IAN MUTCH
AGED 31
18th June 1972
A sergeant in the Gordon Highlanders, he was killed alongside Arthur McMillan in an IRA bomb attack near Lurgan.



Bryan Soden

BRYAN SODEN
AGED 21
19th June 1972
A soldier in the Royal Regiment of Wales, he was on patrol in an armoured vehicle in the Ardoyne area of North Belfast when it came under attack from an IRA sniper. Using an armour piercing bullet, the sniper fired through the vehicle.

DESMOND MACKIN
AGED 37
19th June 1972
Mr Mackin was shot and wounded by members of the Provisional IRA in a West Belfast club which was frequented by members of the rival Official IRA. He had been shot in the leg but the bullet had struck a main artery and Mr Mackin died. It was said that members of the Provisional's had prevented emergency help getting to him.

KERRY McCARTHY
AGED 19
21st June 1972
A soldier in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, he was shot by an IRA sniper while on guard duty at the Strand Road RUC Barrack in Derry.



Patrick McCullough

PATRICK McCULLOUGH
AGED 17
23rd June 1972
Patrick was standing with some friends at the junction of the Antrim Road and Atlantic Avenue when members of the UVF drove past them and opened fire. A 14 year old girl was wounded in the neck.

DAVID MOON
AGED 24
24th June 1972
A soldier in the 664 Aviation Squad, he was one of three troops killed in an IRA land mine attack near Dungiven. The soldiers Land Rover was escorting a three ton lorry carrying a damaged Sioux helicopter that had made a forced landing near Ballykelly when the bombs went off.

CHRISTOPHER STEVENSON
AGED 24
24th June 1972
A private in the Parachute Regiment he was killed alongside David Moon in an IRA land mine attack near Dungiven.

STUART REID
AGED 28
24th June 1972
A sergeant in the Royal and Mechanical Engineers, he was killed alongside David Moon in an IRA land mine attack near Dungiven.

JAMES BONNER
AGED 19
25th June 1972
He was shot dead by soldiers when a stolen car he was in allegedly failed to stop at an army checkpoint on the Whiterock Road. His father, William Bonner, was killed by gunmen a few months later.

JOHN BROWN
AGED 29
25th June 1972
A member of the UDA, Mr Brown's body was discovered at Black Mountain Parade in West Belfast. At first it was claimed that Mr Brown had been killed by the IRA but it later emerged that he had been killed by other loyalists during a drunken brawl.

JOHN BLACK
AGED 32
26th June 1972
A member of the UDA, he had been shot by the army five weeks previously when they were removing UDA barricades in East Belfast. A riot broke out and the army began firing rubber bullets when they were attacked by gunmen. They returned fire and among those hit was Mr Black.



David Houston

DAVID HOUSTON
AGED 22
26th June 1972

A member of the RUC, Mr Houston was shot dead by the IRA in Newry's Water Street as they were planting a car bomb. He had grappled with the driver of the car and was then shot three times in the chest.



Malcolm Banks

JAMES MEREDITH
AGED 19
26th June 1972

A soldier in the Royal Green Jackets, he was shot by the IRA in Derry's Abercorn Road while standing at a checkpoint. He was the 100th soldier killed in the Troubles.

MALCOLM BANKS
AGED 29
26th June 1972

A soldier in the Royal Engineers, he was shot dead in an IRA gun at
tack at the junction of Seaforde Street and Comber Street in the Short Strand area of East Belfast.

WILLIAM GALLOWAY
AGED 18
27th June 1972

William was shot and injured two days previously during a confrontation between rival crowds at Duncairn Gardens in North Belfast. One side of this street is Catholic and the other Protestant and Mr Galloway was shot on the Tiger Bay end when a gunman came out of the New Lodge area and opened fire. Ten others were injured in the shooting and included Mr Galloway's 20 year old brother.

BERNARD NORNEY
AGED 38
27th June 1972

Mr Norney was shot dead at an IRA checkpoint in the New Barnsley district of West Belfast.

At first there seemed to have been a mystery over the killing but it later emerged that he had been shot because he had not stopped at the road block.



Tony Jordan

TONY JORDAN
AGED 19
28th June 1972

Mr Jordan was one of two IRA men killed when their hijacked car crashed into a wall at Our Lady's Hospital in the Beechmount area of West Belfast.

JOHN FINUCANE
AGED 21
28th June 1972

Mr Finucane was killed in a hijacked car alongside Tony Jordan.



John Finucane

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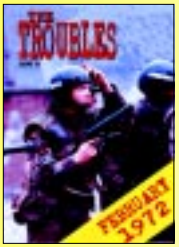

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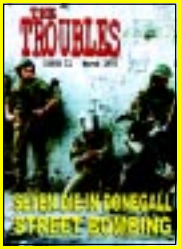

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