

SOLIDARITY  
IS STRENGTH



SCABS ARE  
SCUM.

**THE**  
**Scum**

THE PAPER THAT SUPPORTS THE PICKETS

STILL ONLY 10p



**BARBED**

**WIRE**

**LIES!**

The truth  
about the  
class war  
against  
Murdoch's  
empire

**SUPER SIZZLING SOLIDARITY SPECIAL**

ITS  
1986  
FOLKS

AND CAPITALISM IS IN  
PRETTY BAD SHAPE....



BUT AFTER THE  
MINERS STRIKE  
RESISTANCE ISN'T  
EXACTLY BOOMING



YOU CAN FUCK RIGHT  
OFF MURDOCH —  
WE'RE ON STRIKE!



NO, YOU CAN FUCK OFF!  
YOU'RE ALL SACKED FOR  
REFUSING TO WORK...



.... AND, SINCE  
YOU'RE SACKED,  
I DON'T HAVE  
TO PAY YOU ANY  
REDUNDANCY  
MONEY!



TRUE, 1985 DID  
SEE WIDESPREAD  
REVOLT— HUNDREDS  
OF PLACES HIT THE  
HEADLINES BY  
HITTING THE STATE



... ALL THE SAME ...  
IT'S STILL ALL  
THE SAME!



... AND THE NAME OF  
ONE OF THESE SHITS IS  
RUPERT MURDOCH...



MEANWHILE....  
BLISTERING BOURGEOIS  
BASTARDS! THAT SCUMBAG  
MURDOCH HAS SACKED  
SIX THOUSAND WORKERS!



WAKE UP TINTIN YOU  
DOZY GIT....



LOOK, CAPTAIN,  
YOU KNOW I WAS  
RIGHT BEHIND  
THE MINERS AND  
ALL THAT, BUT....



HAVING GOT CONTROL OF  
THE BIGGEST NEWSPAPER  
PUBLISHERS IN THE WORLD,  
RUPERT MURDOCH SETS ABOUT  
KICKING ASS....

MONDAY  
TUESDAY Dinner with Margaret  
WEDNESDAY  
THURSDAY Start sacking workers  
FRIDAY

AND SO....  
AS FROM  
TODAY, NEW  
WORKING  
CONDITIONS...



.... NO UNIONS, NO  
NEGOTIATIONS, NO  
STRIKES, NO JOB  
SECURITY...  
NO WAY!



BUT  
WHAT!!



...WELL, THESE ARE PRINTERS  
WHO HAVE SPENT YEARS AND  
EARNED THOUSANDS PUTTING  
OUT RACIST AND SEXIST CRAP  
LIKE "THE SUN" — AND YOU  
THINK I SHOULD SUPPORT THEM?  
COURSE I FRIGGIN' DO!!



I WON'T STOP SUPPORTING  
THEM JUST COS THEY  
USED TO WORK FOR A  
SHITTY BOSS.... ALL  
EMPLOYERS ARE SHIT!



ANYWAY, YOU'RE JUST MAKING EXCUSES FOR SITTING ON THE FENCE... I'M ASKING YOU TO SUPPORT THEM, NOT MARRY'EM!

WAPPING HERE WE COME!

SOME MONTHS LATER...

THE MORE I READ, TINTIN, THE MORE IT MAKES ME MAD... MURDOCH HAS CONNED EVERYONE INTO THINKING THAT THIS IS A DISPUTE ABOUT NEW TECHNOLOGY....

HOW CAN PEOPLE BE SO BLIND!

IT'S GOT SWEET FUCK ALL TO DO WITH TECHNOLOGY... AND EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE POWER OF THE BOSSES TO SACK WORKERS OVERNIGHT...

...WITHOUT ANYONE BATTING AN EYELID!!

YEH, YOU'RE RIGHT THERE, MATE! HE STARTED PLANNING TO GET RID OF US WAY BACK IN 1985....

HE EVEN GOT T.N.T. TO BUY UP ALL THOSE LITTLE WHITE SCAB VANS LAST YEAR....

TALKING OF VANS, THEY SHOULD BE LEAVING SOON... ARE YOU TWO COMING OUTSIDE?

ARE WE COMING OUTSIDE?!... IS THE POPE CATHOLIC?!... DO THE RICH SHIT ON THE POOR?!...!

HANG ON A MINUTE.... LET'S NOT GO EMPTY-HANDED...

AS A GESTURE OF GOODWILL, HOW ABOUT SOME...

... AIR-CONDITIONING GIFT PACKS!

HEY YOU! PUT THAT DOWN! PUT IT DOWN!

GO ON, YOU HEARD ME.... FUCK OFF! WE DON'T WANT YOUR SORT ROUND HERE!

LEAVE IT, TINTIN, MATE. THERE'S NO POINT IN ARGUING WITH THESE BUREAUCRATS!

BUT...

..BUT I'M ON THEIR SIDE?!..!

YOU MIGHT BE ON OUR SIDE, MATE, BUT THEY CERTAINLY AIN'T!!... RIGHT FROM THE START THE UNIONS HAVE BEEN TRYING TO WRIGGLE OUT OF THIS FIGHT....

MY UNION, SOGAT, AGREED TO TWO AND A HALF THOUSAND JOBS BEING LOST AT "THE MIRROR", JUST ONE MONTH BEFORE MURDOCH SACKED US....

YES SIR, MR. MAXWELL. ANYTHING YOU SAY MR. MAXWELL...

BOTH SOGAT AND THE NGA WANTED TO DO A DEAL WITH MURDOCH, AND WERE PREPARED TO SIGN A "NO UNOFFICIAL STRIKES" CLAUSE AND SWALLOW MAJOR JOB LOSSES!

NOT THAT DEAN AND DUBBINS WOULD HAVE LOST THEIR PRECIOUS JOBS....



LOOK, THE CHANCES OF THE UNIONS REALLY FIGHTING MURDOCH AND HIS CLASS ARE ABOUT AS HIGH AS THOSE OF CATCHING THE QUEEN FARTING IN PUBLIC....

IT JUST AIN'T GONNA HAPPEN!!



THE UNIONS ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF KEEPING US PACIFIED AND QUIET.... THAT'S WHY THE IDEA OF WORKERS GOING ON UNOFFICIAL STRIKE SCARES THEM SHITLESS!



...EVEN KING-SHIT MURDOCH KNOWS HOW MUCH HE NEEDS THE UNIONS... REMEMBER WHAT HE SAID ABOUT DEAN....



SO LONG AS BRENDA DEAN IS IN CHARGE I THINK THINGS WILL BE FAIRLY PEACEFUL.

IF YOU WANT TO PISS ON US, MR. MURDOCH, ALL I ASK IS THAT YOU GO THROUGH THE PROPER CHANNELS...



WE'RE UP AGAINST EVERYONE HERE... THE BOSSES, THE STATE, THE COPS, THE MEDIA, THE UNIONS...



THE ONLY WAY WE STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING IS IF WE PUSH ASIDE GITS LIKE THAT STEWARD, MIKE HICKS, AND TAKE THE FIGHT INTO OUR OWN HANDS....



WHO IS THIS MIKE HICKS THEN?... HE'S A STALINIST BUREAUCRAP HIGH UP IN SOGAT AND THE T.U.C.



THAT'S T.U.C. SHORT FOR THATCHER'S UNOFFICIAL COPS!!!



I REMEMBER HICKS... WHEN WILLIS, THE T.U.C. BOSS, GOT ATTACKED FOR BEING A WANKER DURING THE MINERS' STRIKE, IT WAS HICKS WHO HELPED THE COPS IDENTIFY THE "TROUBLE-MAKERS" ON A VIDEO!



THAT'S HIM ALRIGHT!! DOWN HERE, HE'S ALWAYS SENDING PICKETS TO THE WRONG GATE, SPREADING FALSE INFORMATION, AND DOING ALL HE CAN TO DEFUSE OUR ANGER...



AFTER THE BIG RIOT ON MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, THE NGA AND SOGAT LEADERS EVEN SET UP A DIRECT PHONE-LINK WITH THE BASTARDS-IN-BLUE, SO THAT THEY CAN WORK TOGETHER TO COMBAT EFFECTIVE PICKETING AND BREAK OUR FIGHT!!



HICKS RECKONED THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE THROWING BRICKS HERE THAT NIGHT WERE PLAINCLOTHES PLODS... WHICH IS FUCKING ODD 'COS THE ONES WHO SEEMED MOST LIKE COPPERS THAT NIGHT WERE THE WINDBAGS ON THE UNION PLATFORM!!



ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY CAME OUT WITH BULLSHIT LIKE "I APPEAL TO THE POLICE TO WITHDRAW-WE CAN KEEP ORDER AMONGST OUR OWN PEOPLE."....



REMEMBER:..."TRADE UNION OFFICIAL" IS SPELT S...O...F...T...C...O...P! SO IT'S A WASTE OF TIME BUILDING THE UNIONS WHEN WE COULD BE BUILDING BARRICADES!



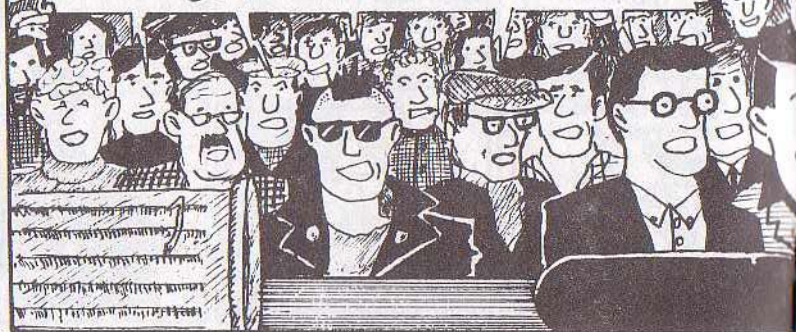
RUPERT MURDOCH, RUPERT MURDOCH, STUFF YOUR MONEY UP YOUR ARSE !!



HANG ON... I THINK THE OLD BILL ARE ABOUT TO GO FOR IT!



P. C. BLAKELOCK WALKS ON WATER....



..EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT DEAD COPS FLOAT!



THIS IS MADNESS!  
FUCKING SUICIDE!



THEY'RE THE ONES  
WITH THE TRAINING AND  
THE EQUIPMENT - WE'VE  
JUST GOT RUBBLE AND  
OUR BARE HANDS!



SOMETIMES I THINK THEY JUST  
WANT US AS GUINEA PIGS SO  
THEY CAN TRY OUT THEIR NEW  
TACTICS OF CROWD CONTROL.....

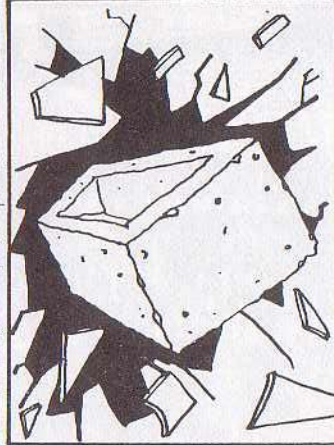
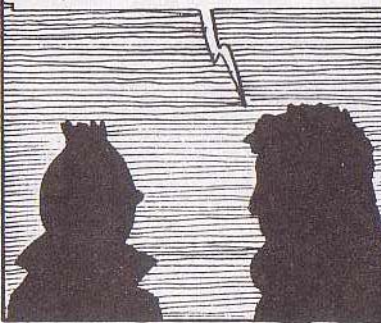


...YEH, AND WE FALL  
STRAIGHT INTO THEIR  
TRAP....

LIKE LAMBS TO A  
BLOODY SLAUGHTER!  
I KNOW WHAT YOU  
MEAN...



MIND YOU, IT'S BIN BRILLIANT  
DOWN HERE SOME NIGHTS....  
LIKE FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup> WHEN  
MURDOCH'S OWN CAR GOT HIT !!



...OR MARCH 15<sup>th</sup> WHEN WE RIPPED  
DOWN THE FENCE, SET  
UP BARRICADES  
AND HAD A  
RIGHT GOOD  
LAUGH....



YEH, IT WAS A GREAT  
ATMOSPHERE THAT NIGHT,  
AND HOLDING UP THE  
SCABS FOR ALMOST SIX  
HOURS COST MURDOCH  
OVER A MILLION QUID!



I WAS DOWN HERE  
ON MAY 3<sup>rd</sup>, THE  
NIGHT OF THE BIG  
FIGHT.... IT WAS  
DEAD BRILL TO  
SEE AN I.T.N. VAN  
GET TRASHED...  
WHY STOP AT  
MURDOCH WHEN  
WE CAN GET THE  
WHOLE  
LIE-  
MACHINE!



YEH, BUT IT'S NOT A  
GAME .... TOO MANY  
OF US GOT INJURED  
THAT NIGHT.....



....OK, SO WE HURT 175  
PLODS, BUT AT WHAT  
FUCKING PRICE !!



YEH, YOU'RE RIGHT! THERE'S  
GOT TO BE A BETTER  
WAY OF BEATING THEM!

... WELL, THERE'S NO POINT  
ASKING SCABS LIKE KEN  
LIVINGSTONE OR NEIL  
KINNOCK FOR ADVICE...



... WHILE WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING  
OUT HERE, BOTH OF THEM  
HAVE WRITTEN ARTICLES FOR  
ONE OF MURDOCH'S RAGS !!



AND THERE AWN'T  
NO POINT LOOKING  
FOR TONY BENN  
FOR HELP ....



DURING THE FIGHTING ON  
MAY 3<sup>rd</sup> HE TOLD US ALL TO  
GO HOME AND WRITE TO  
OUR M.P.s .... I BET THAT  
REALLY PUT THE SHITS UP  
MURDOCH!!



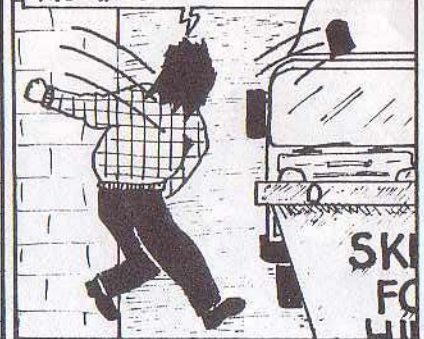
BUT IT'S NOT JUST BENN...  
THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
KEEP TELLING US TO SIT  
BACK AND WAIT FOR A  
LABOUR GOVERNMENT !!



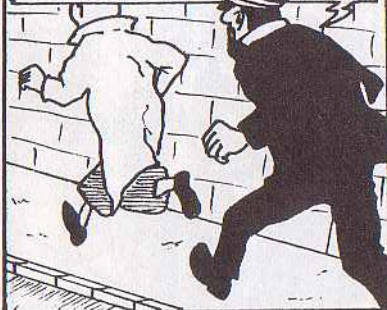
I EVEN HEARD ONE  
DUMBFUCK PICKET .  
SHOUT OUT TO THE  
COPS : " JUST YOU WAIT  
TILL LABOUR COMES  
TO POWER - YOU'LL  
BE OUT ON  
YOUR  
ARSES!"



IF WE WAIT FOR KINNOCK AND  
HIS GANG TO CHANGE THINGS,  
WE'LL BE HERE FOR  
FRIGGIN' EVER!!



LABOUR COUNCILS USE THE THUGS-IN-BLUE TO EVICT SQUATTERS, SO WHY EXPECT A LABOUR GOVERNMENT TO GET RID OF THE COPS??



BUT NONE OF THE OTHER PARTIES ARE MUCH BETTER THAN LABOUR — JUST POWER-MONGERS AND EGOTISTS!!



YEH THE SO-CALLED COMMUNIST PARTY HAD TWO MEMBERS SCABBING INSIDE WAPPING FOR AGES!...

...AND TONY MULHEARN, A BIG CHEESE IN 'MILITANT' WAS SEEN CROSSING PICKET LINES UP IN LIVERPOOL!!



...IT'S THE SAME WITH ALL THE LEFTIST RACKETERS ... THE PARTY ALWAYS COMES FIRST!!!



THAT'S WHY THEY ALL MARCH UP AND DOWN ON THE PICKET LINE, TOO BUSY FLOGGING THEIR PAPERS AND MOUTHING THEIR SLOGANS TO EVER DO ANYTHING!!



...SO IT'S DOWN TO US, LIKE IT'S ALWAYS BEEN... NO LEADERS, NO PARTIES, NO BOSSES .....



PICKETING THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL PLANT AT WAPPING CAN BE BRILLIANT, BUT IT'S NOT THE BE-ALL-AND-END-ALL OF THIS FIGHT...



... AND ALL THE TIME IT'S GETTING MORE DANGEROUS DOWN THERE WITH PICKETS BEING FILMED, AND PLAINCLOTHES PLODS LURKING EVERYWHERE!



IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO SPREAD THE STRUGGLE... BRICK'EM HERE, BRICK'EM THERE, BRICK THE BASTARDS EVERYWHERE



T.N.T. HAVE SCABBY DEPOTS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY... AND THEY MAKE MUCH EASIER TARGETS THAN WAPPING.... OK, THE COAST IS CLEAR.... LET'S GO!



... WE CAN ALL TAKE A TIP FROM THE FLYING PICKETS AT DEPOTS LIKE THETFORD, EASTLEIGH AND SOUTHEND....



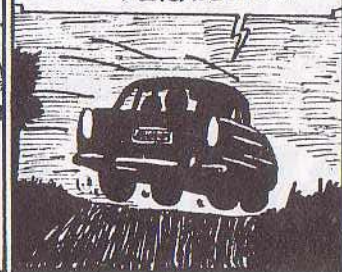
MAXIMUM DAMAGE!! MINIMUM ARRESTS!!



OF COURSE BRENDA DEAN WAS THE FIRST TO CONDEMN THESE ACTIONS .... TRUTH IS, SHE'S SHIT-SCARED THAT THE PICKETS MIGHT ACTUALLY WIN!!



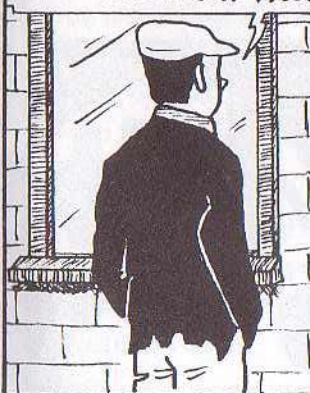
BUT WE DON'T NEED LOADS OF PLANNING OR HUNDREDS OF PICKETS TO BE EFFECTIVE... BUNDLES OF MURDOCH'S RAGS ARE DELIVERED EVERY DAY TO MOST NEWSAGENTS....



...THEY'RE USUALLY LEFT OUTSIDE ABOUT FIVE IN THE MORNING ...



...JUST THE RIGHT TIME FOR A LATE NIGHT PISS!



...OR AN EARLY MORNING FAG!!



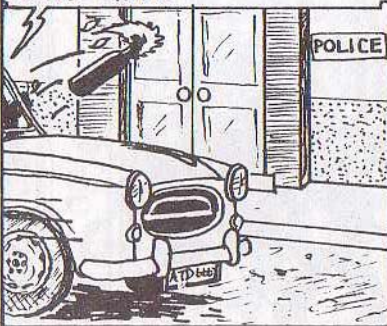
THE JUNE BONFIRE AT MURDOCH'S WAREHOUSE IN DEPTFORD SHOWS JUST WHAT CAN BE DONE....



ACTION ON ITS OWN ISN'T ENOUGH .... WE NEED TO MOVE OUTWARDS AND CONNECT WITH OTHER PEOPLE — OUR STRUGGLE WILL DIE UNLESS IT LINKS UP WITH OTHERS!



LOADS OF US ARE NOW UP AGAINST A COMMON ENEMY... WE'RE ALL FIGHTING THE SAME SHIT!!



YEH ... SOME OF THE MOST SUSSED PEOPLE DOWN AT WAPPING HAVE BEEN THOSE WHO LIVE ON THE ESTATES AROUND THE PLANT...



THE WHOLE AREA IS BEING TURNED INTO A GHETTO FOR THE RICH ... AND COPS HAVE USED PICKETING AS AN EXCUSE TO TERRORISE LOCAL RESIDENTS.... SO THESE KIDS KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THEY ARE DOING WHEN THEY TAKE A BREAK FROM ATTACKING SCABS...



AND LOB BRICKS AND BOTTLES AT PASSING RICH BASTARDS!!



RUPERT MURDOCH'S A BASTARD ALRIGHT, BUT HE'S JUST ONE AMONG THOUSANDS!



YEH, IT'S NO GOOD JUST BURNING OUT MURDOCH — WE'VE GOTTA BURN OUT THE WHOLE SHITTY SYSTEM THAT KEEPS HIM AND HIS KIND GOING.....



AND THAT MEANS STARTING TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE WE DON'T HAVE COPS AND WE DON'T HAVE BOSSES....



...AND WHERE WE DON'T NEED "JOBS" OR "NEWSPAPERS"!



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IF WE'RE NOT ASKING FOR THE WHOLE WIDE WORLD, WHAT ARE WE ASKING FOR?

