SOLIDARITY IS STRENGTH

SCABS ARE SCUM.

BARBED WIRE LIES!

The truth about the class war against Murdoch's empire

SUPER SIZZLING SOLIDARITY SPECIAL
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 REBELLION - HUNDREDS OF PLACES HIT THE HEADLINES BY HITTING THE STATE

IT'S ALL THE SAME...

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

BLUSTERING BOURGEOIS BASTARDS! THAT SOUNDRAG MURDOCH HAS SACKED SIX THOUSAND WORKERS!

MEANWHILE...

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....

AND SO....

... 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?

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

AS FROM TODAY, NEW WORKING CONDITIONS....

THURSDAY STATE SACKING WORKER

FRIDAY
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, TINTIM, THE MORE IT MAKES ME MAD... MURDOCH HAS CONVINCED EVERYONE INTO THINKING THAT THIS IS A DISPUTE ABOUT NEW TECHNOLOGY....

HOW CAN PEOPLE BE SO BLIND!

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!

IT'S GOT SWEET F**K ALL TO DO WITH TECHNOLOGY AND EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE POWER OF THE BOSSIES TO SACK WORKERS OVERNIGHT...

... WITHOUT ANYONE BATTLING AN EYELID!!

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

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

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

BUT.....

HE EVEN GOT T.M.T. TO BUY UP ALL THOSE LITTLE WHITE S**AB 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?!!....

YOU MIGHT BE ON OUR SIDE, MATE, BUT THEY CERTAINLY AIN'T!!.... RIGHT FROM THE START THE UNIONS HAVE BEEN TRYING TO WIGGLE 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 LACED US....

YOU'RE JOKING 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 DUBINS WOULD HAVE LOST THEIR, PRECIOUS JOBS.....

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

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

IT JUST AIN'T GONNA HAPPEN!!

SCABS ARE SCUM

...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 PISE ON US, MR. MURDOCH, ALL I ASK IS THAT YOU GO THROUGH THE PROPER CHANNELS....


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

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

HICKS RECLAIMED THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE THROWING BRICKS HERE THAT NIGHT WERE PLANDICHES PLANS.

WHICH IS FUCKING ODD COS THE ONES WHO SEEMED MOST LIKE COPPERS THAT NIGHT WERE THE WINDBAGS ON THE UNION PLATFORM!!

REMEMBER: "TRADE UNION OFFICIAL" IS SPELT S.O.P.... C.O.P. ! SO IT'S A WASTE OF TIME BUILDING THE UNIONS WHEN WE COULD BE BUILDING BARRIERS!!

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.....

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

I REMEMBER HICKS.... WHEN NILSUS, THE T.U.C. BOSS, GOT ATTACKED FOR BEING A WANKER DURING THE MINERS' STRIKE, IT WAS HICKS WHO HELD THE COPS IDENTIFY THE "TROUBLEMAKERS" 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 3RD, 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!!

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

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

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

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

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

OK, SO WE HURT IT'S
PLODS, BUT AT WHAT
FUCKING PRICE!!

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

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

YEP, 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
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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!!

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

AND THERE WAS NO POINT LOOKING
TO TONY BENN
FOR HELP....

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

...WELL, THERE'S NO POINT
ASKING SCABS LIKE KEN
LIVINGSTONE OR NEIL
KINNOCK FOR ADVICE....
LABOUR COUNCILS USE THE THUGS-IN-BLUE TO EVICT SQUATTERS, SO WHY EXPECT A LABOUR GOVERNMENT TO GET RID OF THE CUE?!!

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

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

AND TONY NULHEARN, A BIG CHEESE IN MILITANT HAS BEEN CROSSING PICKET LINES UP IN LIVERPOOL!!

IT'S THE SAME WITH ALL THE LEFTIST RACKETEERS.... 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!!

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

OF COURSE BRENDA DEAN WAS THE FIRST TO CONDEMNE 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....

PIKETING 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 POLICE LURKING EVERYWHERE!

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

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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