

THEATRE

PLAYHOUSE 709 8363
7-24 March. The Winter's Tale, by William Shakespeare.
13, 16, 17 March. Lift off with Sooty (with Harry Corbett)
From 28 March. Brainwaves. World premiere of Andrew Dallmeyer's play.
3-14 April. Ken Dodd.

EVERYMAN 709 4776
Until 24 March. Richard III, by William Shakespeare.

LITTLE THEATRE (Birkenhead)
9-10 March. Festival of One Act plays. British Drama League. 7.30.

GATEWAY Chester 40393
7-24 March. Lady Frederick, by Somerset Maugham.

NEPTUNE 709 7844
Until 3 March. Death of a Salesman by Arthur Miller (Neptune Theatre Company)
6-10 March. Iolanthe. (Bentley Amateur Operatic Society)
16-17 March. Alsop Drama Group presentation.
27-31 March. Gipsy Love (Martins Operatic Society).

CONCERTS

ROYAL COURT 709 5163/4
9 March. Steeleye Span
11 March. The Strawbs
17 March. Status Quo.

8 March. Procol Harum. University Students' Union

10 March. Black Sabbath. Stadium

22 March. Man at Mountford Hall, University Students' Union.

SPORT

LEARN GOJU KARATE at the Liverpool Okinawa-Goju Karate Centre, Broadway Hall, Utting Ave./Broadway Bridge. Enrol any Mon or Fri, 7-10 p.m. to learn this fascinating physical/mental art.

FISHING in Newsham, Stanley, Calderstones, Princes and Walton Hall parks. Lakes open every day from 9 a.m. Adults 10p a day, children 5p. Season tickets £1. For details phone 724 2371.

STOCK CAR RACING. Kirkby Stadium, Sundays from 3 p.m.

WRESTLING. Every Friday at Liverpool Stadium, Bixteth Street. For details phone 236 6316.

RUGBY. At St Michael's Church Rd, Liverpool 17. For fixtures phone 727 6330.

GREYHOUND racing: Thursdays and Saturdays, 7.30, White City Stadium, Lower Breck Road. Tel: 263 4721.

ATHLETICS: Liverpool Harriers - cross-country running for boys and girls, every Sunday, 11 a.m. Woolton Park Wood. Tel: 722 2026.

Liverpool Boundary Harriers - Training ever Wed from Old Roan, Aintree, 7.45. Races every Sat, ages 13-50. Coaching for beginners. Tel: 526 8139.

POETRY

POETRY at Spellow Library, County Road, Walton. Bring poems and friends. Next session March 7, at 8 p.m.

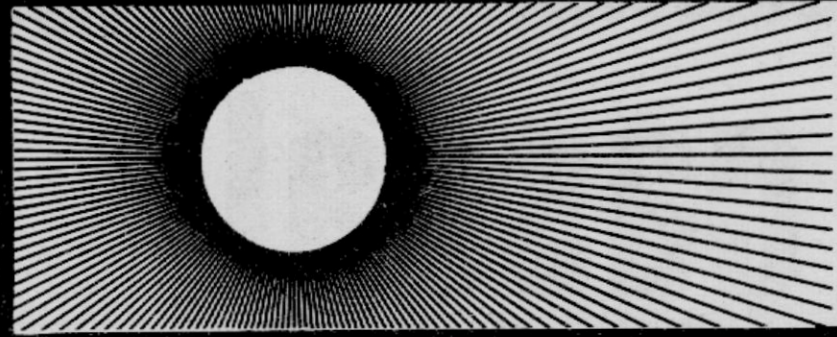
POETRY at the 'Why Not' pub, Harrington Street. Last Thurs every month - David Porter, Sidney Hoddes, Harold Hixins and friends. 7.45 p.m. Admission: 15p.

LANCASHIRE Poetry Association. Live poetry in the city and elsewhere. True poetry, no circus clowns. Last Thurs every month at eight., Gazebo, Duke Street. Also The Lion, Bridge st, Warrington, last Tues every month at eight. Phone 736 5246 for details.

JABBERWOCKY poetry nights. Second Wed every month. Poetry and music ancient and modern, from Horace to Henri. At the Old Schoolhouse, Parkgate, Wirral. Details: Peggy Poole (625 8957).

JAZZ

MERSEYSIDE JAZZ SOCIETY at Bucks Club (behind British Home Stores) every Monday. For details phone 236 3909.
COFFEE HOUSE, Church Road, Liverpool 15. Every Tuesday at 8.30. Blue Magnolia Jazz Orchestra.
NEW COURT BAR, Sir Thomas St, L'pool 1. Every Monday, 8 p.m.
MERSEYSIDDE JAZZ Band at The Sportsman, St John's Precinct, every Wednesday evening.
BLUE MAGNOLIA Jazz Band at the Star and Garter, St John's Precinct, every Thursday at 8 p.m.
MCDERN JAZZ at Abberley Hotel, 105 Ullet Road, Liverpool 17. Every Thurs, 8.30 p.m.



FILMS

MERSEYSIDE FILM INSTITUTE SOCIETY. Details of membership from 45 Bluecoat Chambers, Liverpool L1 3BX. Office open 12.30 to 1.30 Mon, Tues, Fri or any evening when a film is showing.

Mon/Tues 5/6 March: THE LOVED ONE (Richardson, USA, 1964). Based on Evelyn Waugh's novel the lushed-up burial arrangements in 'Whispering Glades Memorial Park', California.

Fri 9 March: MEMORIES OF UNDERDEVELOPMENT (Tomas Alea, Cuba 1968). In the sudden emergence of the Cuban cinema, this film stands out as the most acclaimed.

Mon/Tues 12/13 March: TRAFIC (Jacques Tati, France/Italy, 1970). Comedy of a man's love-hate relationship with his car.

Mon/Tues 19/20 March: PERFORMERANCE (Cammell and Roeg, Britain 1970). Starring James Fox, Mick Jagger and Anita Pallenberg.
Mon/Tues 26/27 March: RAVEN'S END (Widerberg, Sweden 1964). Social realism, with Thommy Berggren as a young novelist seeking to sidestep poverty and his father's failure.

● All performances at 6 p.m. & 8.15.

Facts on VD

VENEREAL disease is not talked about openly. Newspapers, television and the radio find it uncomfortable to mention, and the only publicity is usually a torn poster in the public lavatory.

Archaic laws have been used recently to suppress publicity about health advice services which offer assistance to people suffering from VD.

But now Medicine for the People (a Canadian group) have produced a 48-page pamphlet on VD that spells out everything and breaks down the secrecy surrounding the disease.

The same group have also produced an equally informative pamphlet on birth control.

Both pamphlets can be obtained - at 7½p each - from 248 Bethnal Green Road, London E2.

ART

PAINTINGS on the railings at St Luke's Church, Leece Street. All day Saturday. St Luke's Art Group invite new members. Sec: Nina Kenworthy. Tel: 733 6125.

Until 1 April. James Hamilton Hay (1874-1916). Exhibition of paintings, watercolours and prints by this Liverpool artist. Walker Gallery.

WORKER Artists' Association. Secretary Len Walker, tel: 709 8055 (daytime).

FREE ART GROUP. Musicians, artists, writers, poets, photographers. Meetings every Saturday evening in the Garret Room, Mitre Hotel, Dale Street. Details: Geoff Hudson, 924 4904 (evenings) or Cathy Paul, 428 2798 (daytime)

FOLK

ALEHOUSE Folk Club. Cattle market Hotel, Prescott Road. Every Thursday at 8 p.m. with Old Rope and Guests. Members 20p, guests 25p.

ATLANTIC HOUSE Folk Club. Hardman Street, Liverpool 1. Every Friday at 8.30 p.m.

CROFTERS Folk Club. Clubship Landfall, Collingwood Dock. Every Monday at 8 p.m.

JACQUI & BRIDIE'S Folk Song Club Domestic Mission, Mill St, L'pool 8 every Monday at 8 p.m.

SEVEN SEAS Folk Club. Seamen's Club, 96 Paradise St, Liverpool 1. Every Saturday at 8 p.m. Members 20p, visitors 25p.

SPINNERS Folk Club. Gregsons Well, Brunswick Rd, Liverpool 6. Every Monday at 8 p.m.

MELLING Folk Club. Horse and Jockey, Melling. Every Monday at 8.30. Details: Mrs Walmsley, phone 546 2532.

3 March. MERSEYFOLK '73 - Scout and guide folk concert. Philharmonic Hall, 7.30. Tickets 50p and 30p from Philharmonic and Scout and guide shops.

INFORMER



'By the way - I'm from the Ministry of Social Security.'

CHECK! the Liverpool organisation which helps social security claimants, has some forms to help people apply for exceptional needs grants for clothing and bedding.

The forms, which list all the articles you may be entitled to, can be obtained from **CHECK!**, Liverpool University Settlement, 2 Nile Street Liverpool 1. Tel: 709 4811/2.

ENVIRONMENT

MERSEYSIDE Organic Food Collective has moved to 53 Sandown Lane, Liverpool 15. Tel: 733 8216. Provides mainly cereals, sugar, dried fruit, nuts. Low cost through bulk buying. Non-profit making.

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH meet every Wednesday in the McAusland Lounge, Liverpool University Students' Union at 8 p.m.

BY THE TIME you have read this line there will be two extra mouths to feed in the world. Can we afford to keep on breeding at the rate of 2.5 people increase per second (77 million a year)?

There are 80,000 people dying from starvation every year and 30 million more suffering from malnutrition. This figure will seem low in years to come if something isn't done about over-population now. - Countdown, 27-35 Mortimer St, London W1A 4QW.

WOMEN'S LIB

Meetings at 2 Rutland Avenue, Liverpool 17, at 8 p.m. Tel: 733 2100.

NEWCOMERS' MEETINGS Every Tuesday.

ABORTION AND CONTRACEPTION CAMPAIGN - meets every Wed. 28 Feb: **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** - discussion on group organisation.

2 March: Black Marxist Selma James talks on 'A Woman's Place' and the family allowances campaign. - University Students' Union, 8 p.m.

3 March is International Women's Day. There will be a rally in Trafalgar Square on March 10 and a group of women from Liverpool will be going.

25 March - The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding a big rally in Manchester. Women's Lib plan a counter-demo. (If you want to go, phone 733 2100)

LEGAL ADVICE. If you want to see a solicitor, you can get 30 minutes' advice for £1 under a special cheap rate scheme. It's not a lot of time, but may be better than nothing. For details enquire at your nearest Citizens' Advice Bureau (address in the phone book).

MEETINGS

LIVERPOOL Community Relations Council are organising a series of meetings on the social services.

Each talk will be followed by questions and discussion. Anyone can attend. Thursdays at 7.30 at 64 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool 3:

8 March - **EMPLOYMENT** (Frank Heseltine, Department of Employment)

15 March - **EMPLOYMENT** (Susan Schafer, International Personnel)

22 March - **EDUCATION** (Angela Jones, The Childwall Project).

CHILD POVERTY Action Group meeting on Fri March 19 at 7.30p.m. at University Settlement, Nile St.

CROSBY Labour Party Young Socialists meet on second and fourth Tues each month at Labour H.Q. in Crosby Road South, Waterloo. New members and friends always welcome

20 March, National Council for Civil Liberties. University Settlement, Nile Street, 7.30. All welcome, especially those interested in penal reform.

6 March. Ald Bill Sefton will discuss Liverpool airport with residents at Speke Community Centre, North Parade. Kick-off 8 p.m. Make sure you deafen him before the planes do.

10 March. Fourth conference of the Building Workers' Charter in Birmingham. Details: 228 0783 (F Marsh) Trains leave Lime St 9 a.m. Day return fare £2.25.

SMALL ADS

DRAGON (7-piece jazz band) will be playing in the Sphinx Bar, University Students' Union. March 9.

HARD CHEESE - a radical journal of education. 70 pages for minimum price of 10p. From Ted Bowden, 95a Shooters Hill Road, London SE8.

The National Council for Civil Liberties is publishing a monthly newspaper, Civil Liberty. Copies 4p from 152 Camden High Street, London NW1.

COMMUNITY ACTION is a magazine about planning, housing and community schemes. Well worth reading. 15p from 7a Frederic Mews, Kinnerston Street, London SW1.

WANTED URGENTLY - books! books! indoor games, art equipment, weight-lifting equipment full-length mirror, billiard cues. For Childwall Valley Afternoon Club for unemployed youths. Contact Contact Childwall Valley Community Centre, 162 Hartsbourne Ave, Liverpool 25-

BIT information service. For free help or information phone 91-229 8219. BIT produces the only travel guide to all Africa - minimum price 75p (proceeds to BIT and Operation Omega for Liberation of Namibia). Guide is for the hitch-hiker and cheap traveller. Also 'Overland to India and Beyond' (50p) covers the route from Turkey to Indonesia. Both guides regularly updated. From BIT, 141 Westbourne Park Road, London W11.

Gulf Oil boycott

A NATIONAL campaign has been launched urging people to boycott Gulf Oil until they cease to import oil from Portuguese-controlled Angola.

Gulf protects its massive interests in Angola by contributing 50% of its entire profits to the repressive Portuguese regime - enough to finance at least half their war effort against the Angolan people.

Only 10% of Angolans are literate. Out of a population of 1,000,000 in Guinea, only 11 Africans have been to university.

Gulf gives both moral and financial support to the use of napalm and herbicides to starve out Angolans in war-torn areas, and the regroupment of peasants

into strategic hamlets

There are some 300 Gulf garages in Britain, mainly in the south, London and Wales. Their refinery is at Milford Haven

The boycott committee have sent a letter to the chairman of Gulf Oil demanding that they no longer import Angolan oil into this country.

If they refuse to negotiate action will be taken to impede the normal distribution and sales of Gulf oil and petrol. For information on films and speakers contact:

- Anti-Apartheid, 89 Charlotte St, London W1 (Tel: 01-580 5311)
- Committee for Freedom in Mozambique, Angola, Guinea (01-607 2170).
- Gulf Boycott Committee, PO Box 59, Oxford. (Oxford 54006).

SMALL ADS

PROPOSED PROJECTS in democratic work or alternative technology. If you are planning or want to work in one, circulate through 'In the Making' (a directory due out this month) 40p a year, or 10p or s.a.e. enquiry. 71 Thirlwell Road, Sheffield S8 9TF.

WANTED. Male or female to share house near Sefton Park. Own room, £2 a week. Write to box no. 67, Liverpool Free Press, 24 Wapping, Liverpool 1.

YOUNG COUPLE (no kids, one kitten) require cheap unfurnished flat in Ullet Road area. No agencies please. Box No. 11, Free Press, 24 Wapping.

THE WORKER issued fortnightly by the Communist Party of Britain, Marxist-Leninist. Only 3p from October Books, 99 Mount Pleasant,

HELP BUILD a world community based on common ownership with production solely for use - not for profit. Send for details and free literature to: The Socialist Party of Great Britain, 52 Clapham High St, London SW4 7UL.

Lonely? Despairing? Suicidal? Phone the Samaritans at 709 8888 (day or night) or write to: 34 Slater Street, Liverpool L1 4BX.

YOUNG VOLUNTEERS of Merseyside. Activities range from running soup kitchens for down-and-outs to playschemes for youngsters and visits to old and disabled. Phone Bill O'Connell (733 3237) or call at Freeman House, Freeman St, Liverpool 15 during the daytime.

PREGNANCY testing. Free, confidential service. 2 Rutland Ave, Liverpool 17. Every Sat, 10 a.m. to noon. (Organised by Women's Liberation Movement).

STRUGGLE - Revolutionary paper of the Communist Federation of Britain (Marxist-Leninist). Available from 54 Alderfield Drive, Lpool 24.

HOMOSEXUAL? The Campaign for Homosexual Equality needs your help in the fight for legal equality and an end to prejudice. Merseyside group organises regular discussions and social events. Details: C.H.E., 28 Kennedy Street Manchester 2.

STUDENT and young people's group of C.H.E. (gay women particularly welcome). Regular meetings and campaigning. Write as above or c/o Students Union (letter rack) Brownlow Hill, Liverpool 3.

INTERNATIONAL Voluntary Service run youth clubs for the mentally handicapped, playschemes for kids, teach English to immigrant mothers, visit and decorate for old people. Open meeting (speakers and discussions) every Wed, 8 p.m. at David Lewis Youth Club, 1 Upper Parliament St, Lpool 8 (709 6726).

WE ARE NOT an organisation. P.N.P. means people, not psychiatry, a way people (like you?) meet and help each other. Contact Bob Hughes 41 Belmont Road, Liverpool 6. Tel: 263 5574.

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