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HOW DID THIS MAN DIE?



KENNY WILLIAMS IS DEAD. He was arrested by the police and he never recovered.

But before he died he told his wife, Josephine, a terrifying story of police thuggery, and neglect at Risley Remand Centre.

Kenny Williams told of how he was made to lie on the floor of a police landrover. How he was punched and kicked by six police.

How he was beaten over the head with a steel telephone... and later stitched up by a police doctor.

How, in Risley Remand Centre, he was refused medical attention. And how, after continuous vomiting and stomach pains, he was eventually treated for "wind".

And Mrs Williams told of her husband's condition after nine days in legal custody. He was soaked in sweat and hardly able to stand. Two weeks later he was dead.

Three months later the exact cause of death is still

a mystery. An inquest was opened, briefly, and adjourned for more inquiries.

But the police have already decided they had nothing to do with it. Kenny's family have been told the police have investigated themselves, and found no case to answer.

Kenny's wife — left to bring up four young children alone — was so amazed she decided to speak to the Free Press. At her home in Cherryfield Crescent, Kirkby, she repeated the shocking story told by her husband:

On Friday July 19, Kenny left home to go to a club in Liverpool. Later, he stole a car to get home.

As soon as he left the car park, off London Road, a police landrover followed. When he stopped at traffic lights the police got out and Kenny panicked. He drove off with one of the police still clinging to the back of the car.

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CHAMPION BULLY TAKES A KNOCK

"YOUR ATTENTION ladies and gentlemen, please...

"On my right in the blue corner, weighing in at 15 stone, Arnold Dyson of Southport... Britain's first Mr Universe, World Champion Six Inch Nail Bender, One Inch Bar Bender, landlord and bully.

"On my left, in the red corner, tipping the scales at nine stone, and just five-foot-six small, Christopher Cook, a young tenant with no previous experience."

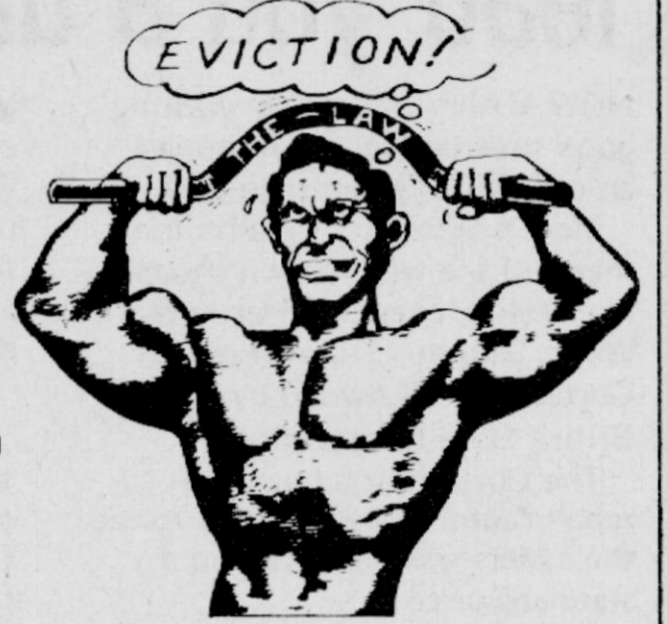
An unlikely contest — and an unlikely winner. Because in this landlord and tenant battle, the landlord, 'Bender' Dyson, went too far and broke the rules.

Instead of using his brains to get tenants out, the ageing Arnold relied on bulk and a boxer dog. The law didn't like that, even from a landlord, and Arnold Dyson was suspended.

At Southport County Court, Judge Pigot decided to kick a little sand into 48-year-old Dyson's face by granting a temporary injunction against him.

'Bender' was ordered to allow the tenants back into their flat above his home at 23 Lathom Road, Southport.

The judge had been told how Dyson had illegally evicted Christopher Cook, 23, and his flat-mate Andrew Drayton-Lovett. Mean old Dyson gave one



week's notice instead of the required four.

Then he followed up by trying to punch Andrew and locking both tenants out. The subtle 'Bender' drove the point home by guarding the door... with his boxer dog at his side and a stake in his hand.

The judge's order put a stop to all that. And perhaps Dyson will have got the message that if he just goes about things properly the law is very good to landlords. 'Bender' Dyson plus the law could add up to a very uneven contest.

NOTE: Dyson exercises his brain by running his own gymnasium at 98 Princes Road, Liverpool 8.

Jailed pickets: Strike on Nov 28

EVERYONE OUT on Thursday, Nov. 28, in support of the Shrewsbury Two.

That's the strike call which is going out to all trade unionists from the Merseyside Building Workers Shop Stewards Committee and the national rank-and-file movement, the Building Workers' Charter.

When the North Wales pickets, Des Warren and Eric Tomlinson, lost their appeal against vicious sentences of three and two years for "conspiracy" Merseyside construction workers acted instantly.

About 3,000 walked out, bringing twenty sites to a standstill.

But the charter group say only the united action of working class people can force the Labour government to

release the Shrewsbury lads.

This is why they are calling a one-day strike on November 28.

There is a possibility that the TUC will call a day of lobbying. But this means nothing — just a few delegates standing outside the House of Commons.

While the TUC dither, serious new restrictions have been put on pickets. A High Court Judge set a far-reaching precedent by ruling that all picketing in the streets was illegal, unless in the course of a trade dispute.

And what's more, far from abolishing the Conspiracy laws, the Labour government is using them to try 14 pacifists, including two Liverpool men.

The Cardiff con-nection

JULIAN HODGE, the Cardiff based bank, have been exposed as the moneylenders behind a pyramid-selling racket which could cost hundreds of people in the Midlands their homes.

The bank are also supplying the money for a shady second-mortgage scheme now operating in Liverpool. (See Page 5)

The bank was founded by the grasping Sir Julian Hodge. A year ago, Hodge merged with an American company and a new Chairman was appointed.

He is the former Tory Chancellor of the Exchequer. Anthony Barber.

£20 — the price of a lost job

A PHOTOGRAPHER who refused to employ a young black man because of his colour, has had to pay compensation of £20.

Stewart Bale, who's been described as the Lord Snowdon of Liverpool, advertised in the Liverpool Echo for a photographic apprentice.

Anthony Ogunsiji, a British-born black lad, phoned the number given and was put through to a man who, he later discovered, was Bale.

In his statement to the Race Relations Board, Anthony described what happened:

ANTHONY: I am ringing about the advertisement in last night's Echo.

VOICE: What is your name?

ANTHONY: Anthony Ogunsiji.

VOICE: What's your religion?

ANTHONY: Protestant.

VOICE: Are you of foreign descent?

ANTHONY: Yes I am.

VOICE: I don't want any foreigners.

Anthony explained that he was English.

VOICE: What colour are you — are you black?

ANTHONY: Yes.

VOICE: We don't want any of them here.

Anthony complained to the Race Relations Board and their conciliation committee decided that unlawful discrimination had taken place.

Bale paid Anthony £20 compensation and promised not to discriminate in future.

Anthony's case was unusual because most employers have more subtle ways of giving black people the brush-off. Often discrimination is extremely difficult to prove.

Where there is proof, compensation is usually so small that many black people don't bother going through the time-consuming process of making an official complaint.

Swiss bank freeze hits landlord

THE SUDDEN closure of a Swiss bank has caused panic in the offices of one of Liverpool's wealthiest landlords.

For some time, Mr L.I. Rubin, who runs 36 companies from his Lord Street headquarters, has had a highly unusual method of collecting rents.

Tenants have had to pay by standing orders made out to the International Credit Bank of Geneva.

But in October the bank ran into financial trouble and locked its doors. As a result, poor Mr Rubin can't get his money out.

The worried Rubin rushed out letters asking tenants to change their bankers' orders and have the money sent to Barclay's Haymarket branch in London.

Just to make sure tenants obeyed, one of Rubin's henchmen was sent round urging tenants to go to their bank immediately and make the change. "Do it today," he pleaded.

● At least Rubin is in good company. As revealed recently, Mr Harold Wilson also had money in the International Credit Bank. For equally mysterious reasons.

RIGHT-WING LABOUR MEN CRAWL BACK

RIGHT-WING members of the Labour Party, who voted to put up rents under the Housing Finance Act, are fighting their way back to power.

Two of them, Eddie Roderick and Bill Snell, have been selected as District Council candidates for the Gilmoor ward by-elections on Dec 5. This happened although the ward had previously agreed not to support anyone who helped to implement the HFA.

The biggest carve-up came, however, over the short-list of candidates for the ward on the County Council.

Naturally, Labour Party dictator Bill Sefton was one of the men behind it.

Sefton is chairman of the undemocratic Temporary Co-ordinating Committee (set up three years ago to prepare the Merseyside Labour group for local govt reorganisation).

This small committee drew up a short-list of Right-wingers, then refused to support Labour Left-wingers Mrs Marjorie Stewart and Councillor Mike Black, deputy leader of the Labour City Council group — although they were wanted on the short-list by Gilmoor Executive Committee.

BELLE VALE BLUNDERS

LIVERPOOL will probably sue Shankland-Cox, the internationally known consultant architects, in an attempt to recoup some of the £2 million likely to be over-spent on the disastrous Belle Vale housing estate.

Confidential reports recently presented to private housing committee meetings reveal that top officials in the Corporation blame the architects

for faulty design and the long delays.

These mistakes, says the report, have led directly to the soaring costs of the project.

But the Corporation are afraid to take action against the architects until the estate is complete. They fear they will be left without an architect, and possibly without a builder.

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Many nappy returns to the following Children's Corner members who celebrate their birthdays in the coming week: Today: Mybol Czariczin, 1 Kerrs Street, Ashton-in-Makerfield. Tomorrow: Barry Meier, 8

ARE YOU SITTING COMFORTABLY?

Dear, oh dear, oh dear! The Children's Corner in the Crosby Herald isn't what it used to be.

Take this recent little item, not entirely suitable for five-year-olds. Gentlemen who don't immediately get the full meaning behind this strange, and totally fictitious name are advised to sit down and scratch for a while.

Ian Hargraves, overall boss of the Crosby Herald and other Post & Echo weeklies, did. And then he was hopping mad.

But if you employ young journalists to do boring, useless work for very little money, what else can you expect? Keep it up, lads.