

# CARR BOMB CASE: STATE CONSPIRACY



*"As I have maintained throughout I am innocent of the charges. With no evidence whatsoever to implicate me in any of the explosions the Crown has tried to put me on trial for what it suggests are my political views.....The entire course this case has taken has shown that the object of these proceedings is not to discover who was responsible but to effect a conviction, provided the political views of the person convicted were opposed to the ruling class.....The circumstances leading to my arrest and charging show how this Government is based on tyranny and fear. Millions of people in this country could be standing in this dock instead of me, because they are totally opposed to the political system in this country.....History will show who are the true conspirators."* IAN PURDIE



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Finally, Jake Prescott and Ian Purdie have been committed for Trial at the Old Bailey accused of conspiring to cause explosions carried out by the Angry Brigade. They have been in solitary confinement at Brixton Prison since February and between then and now the Angry Brigade has issued three more communiques, and blown up a Fords administrative office, Biba's Boutique, and a Scotland Yard computer room (which went up simultaneously with the Paris offices of three British companies).

### WHERE IS THE EVIDENCE!

One by one, prosecution witnesses failed to produce the incriminating evidence that Williams, counsel for the prosecution, promised us in his opening statement. For example, the prosecution based a large part of their case on the assumption that the explosives were gelignite from Perth, but on cross-examination of their own explosives expert, it was established that they could have come from just about anywhere, and in fact were more likely to have been dynamite.

Also, in their efforts (which failed dismally) to prove that Jake and Ian stole the explosives, they actually succeeded in establishing that Jake was in Edinburgh on November 20th, —the day he is charged with causing the explosion of a BBC van at the Miss World Contest in London. Even the handwriting expert fell short of expectations for his statement so much as admitted that it was by no means certain that Jake had written any of the Angry Brigade communique envelopes, as alleged.

The only witness against Jake who has towed the line is 'Mr. A', whose identity the State is withholding, who along with 'Mr. B' shared a cell with him in Brixton. He gave us the "whole story". So detailed and well prepared was his evidence that one would never have believed that it was three months before that he'd 'heard' it. His word perfect account neatly tied up more or less the whole prosecution case even down to the analyses of the forensic experts. Mr. B, who it was promised would corroborate his evidence, has mysteriously disappeared. All that remains of the case against Ian is his friendship with Jake and his political beliefs.

### FIGHT 'THE INVESTIGATION'!!!

When the Angry Brigade attacked Robert Carr's house, the facts about their series of attacks on the bosses need no longer be hushed up. The illusion of social peace was shattered. The efforts made to maintain this illusion are illustrated by Carr's evidence in court. He pretended he was unaware of any substantial opposition to the Industrial Relations Bill; the Bill which in Court was compared to Hitler and Mussolini's industrial codes. For example, he said he couldn't remember the dates of any demonstrations against the Bill.....except the date when his own house was blown up!

The bombing had made it absolutely necessary for the State to show that this sort of 'crime' does not pay. Someone had to be put inside for it; someone plausible. Chief Superintendent Habershon and his 500 men have searched dozens of houses, illegally seized property, arrested people unlawfully and kept them in for days without access to lawyers, etc. etc. (Charges are being brought against the police in connection with these attacks).

As this Investigation gathered more and more information about the lives, friendships, movements, ideas, thoughts and activities of people on the left, Jake and Ian emerged as the leading "candidates for the outrage" (Habershon's words in court). Their qualifications were right: they had records, they had expressed support for actions taken by the people against their oppressors, they had a lot of friends who felt the same, and they knew each other.

More and more of the bosses are coming to think that, if they are going to survive, a restriction of civil liberties and an extension of police powers are necessary.....the Industrial Relations Bill, the Immigration Bill, the Criminal Damages Bill, the new Drugs Bill, the Dutschke case. They have admitted opening our letters and tapping our phones. Recent investigations by the *Guardian* make it absolutely certain that the secret police (MI5, the Special Branch and all other security forces) have routine access to census data, social security files, income tax returns and any information collected by government departments and other branches of the information industry.

### THE REAL CONSPIRACY

If the Investigation has provided evidence of a conspiracy, then anyone can see it is a deadly serious conspiracy on the part of the police, backed up by the boss class and their press, to terrorise and intimidate anyone who might think of taking action against them, or trying to control their own lives. But we refuse to be intimidated - we are determined to fight their class 'justice' and defend its victims.

*"This is the first time since my arrest on February 11th that the legal system has permitted me to speak. Now that I am allowed to speak, I reject the role of accused. I refute the charges against me and the following remarks are made as the accuser. I was kept at Barnet Police Station for 48 hours without being charged. I repeatedly asked for legal representation. This was refused. This illegality the police attempted to cover up by suggesting verbally that I was dissatisfied with my lawyer. This is a deliberate lie, which along with other devious police activities has not been inquired into by the examining magistrate, who, throughout these proceedings has protected the real conspiracy, that involving Habershon among others. The serious slanders by the police against my lawyers has never once been questioned by the examining magistrate. Piggot said, "It is a free country." Members of the public laughed. The magistrate said, "Anyone laughing will be removed." So much for freedom. I dare to tell the truth where Government functionaries dare not. And the extent of their lies only highlights the poverty of the prosecution's case. Whereas, I have committed no criminal acts and am being tried purely and simply for my political views."* **JAKE PRESCOTT**, upon being committed.

### THE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES

#### THE ANGRY BRIGADE REMAINS AT LARGE .....AND IS GETTING CLOSER

- \* Support Jake and Ian's defence in any way you can - articles, posters, meetings.
- \* Refuse to say ANYTHING to Habershon and the rest of the political police - they're the enemy, and they don't understand us, so don't help them.
- \* Send details of any raids made by Special Branch to NCCL.
- \* Send postal orders and cheques to the 'Ian and Jake Defence Group'.

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