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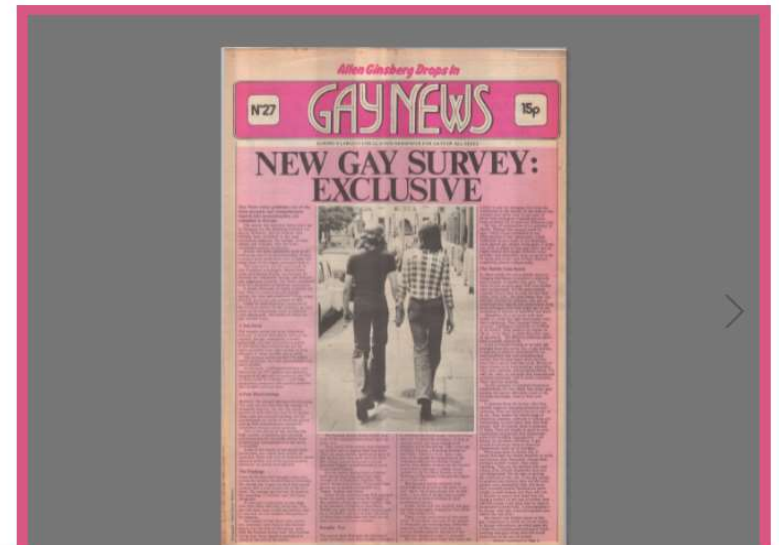


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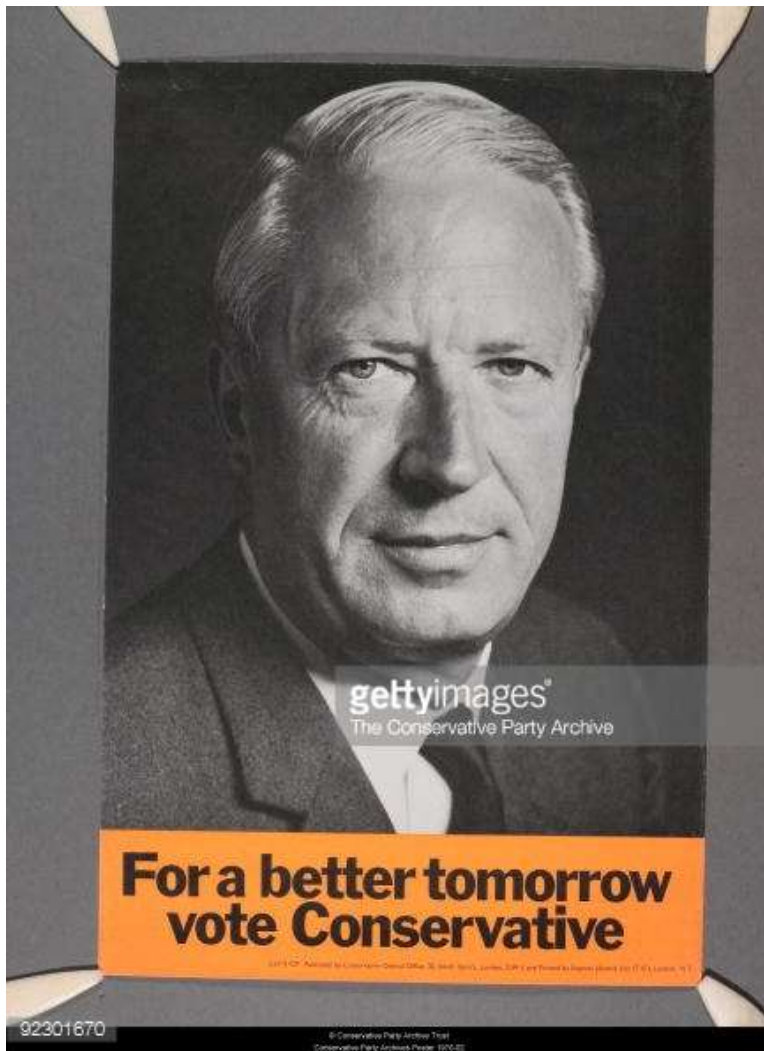
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Political changes in the 1970s

1970



South African apartheid and cricket
Tour cancelled May 1970



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Trade union density in the United Kingdom from 1900 to 2000



1972

Saltley Gate coke works February 1972



Bloody Sunday



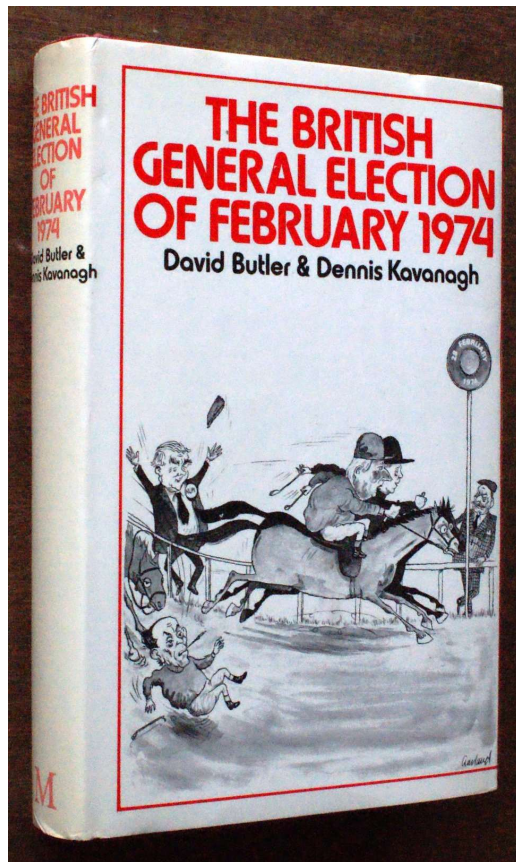
1974

January to March: the three-day week



Elections in February ... and again in October!

1974



THE GUARDIAN
Monday, October 14, 1974

Labour set for majority

Liberal challenge collapses

By DENNIS KAVANAGH and DAVID BUTLER

It was Labour Government with an overall majority secured in the 1974 election, which ended the 18 months of a coalition government between the Conservatives and Liberals. The Liberal Party, which had been in coalition with Labour since the 1968 election, collapsed in the 1974 election, losing all its seats.

STATE OF THE PARTIES

Cons	Lab	Lib	Nats
179	288	5	7
Labour gain	Cons gain	Seat N gain	
19	1	3	

Voters return Labour to big two

Labour gains

Cons gains

Lib gains

Seat Nat gains

Heath refuses to concede defeat

Age 25 and 26

Troubled night for Thorpe



Elected leader of Conservative Party, Feb 1975

1975



EEC referendum 1975



Harold Wilson resigns, April 1976



James Callaghan Prime
minister 1976-1979 (after
Wilson's second term
1974-6)

1975 arrival of North Sea oil
1976 IMF crisis
1976 Race Relations Act
1978 Winter of discontent

1978



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THE Sun
Thursday, January 11, 1978 7p TODAY'S TV, PAGES 6 and 7

CRISIS? WHAT CRISIS?

Rail, lorry, jobs chaos—and Jim blames the Press

By WALTER TERRY
Political Editor

SUN - TANNED
Premier Jim Callaghan breezed back into Britain yesterday and asked: 'Crisis? What Crisis?'

As the country faced the threat of all-out rail and lorry strikes, a mild weather—be scuffed any calls for a State of Emergency.

He said: 'There is no need to be gloom, no sense of crisis. The country is doing well. The fact that we are not in a recession is a fact. The fact that we are not in a recession is a fact. The fact that we are not in a recession is a fact.'

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BRITAIN IN TURMOIL
Page 2
FRANKLIN'S VIEW
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FEAR
There is some easing in the price of oil, but the price of gas remains high. The price of gas remains high. The price of gas remains high.

BRINK
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BUT what about the fact that we are not in a recession is a fact. The fact that we are not in a recession is a fact.

THE SUN is much slimmer than usual again today.

This is due to an acute shortage of newsprint arising from the lorry drivers' strike and is, of course, entirely beyond our control.

Just so that our readers and advertisers know exactly what is going on, we would like to explain one or two further consequences of the strike.

First, readers, for example, have been unable to receive their newspapers with us. Some have had copies made up of a number of days of differing sizes.

Sorry

This is because, in order to continue publishing as long as we possibly can, we are taking in newspapers from wherever it can be obtained—even if it is not from us.

We are desperately sorry that the current situation has forced us to depart, in some respects, from the high standard of presentation which we are proud to make. The Sun's management is working hard to get things back to normal as soon as possible.

Some readers have also written to enquire if it is possible to order the paper by post. We are sorry to hear that we cannot do this at the moment.

The fact is that smaller

In the news...

ROD'S KISS
ROCK star Rod Stewart (above) attended Queen Elizabeth's with a kiss—and Russian diplomats with his very out of a New York concert. See Page 5

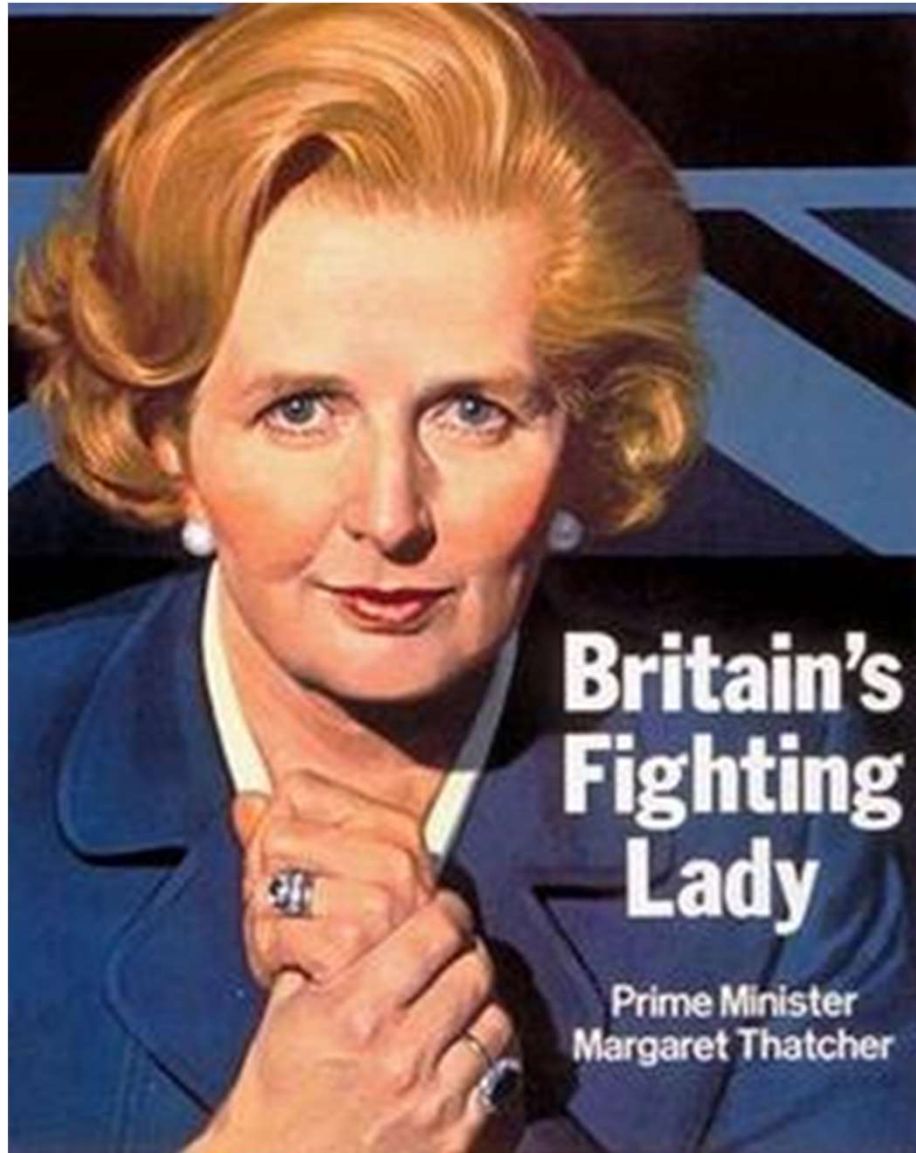
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In the news...

RANDALL MARATHON
DEEK RANDALL (left) Australian lawlards at bay for 509 minutes in the heat of Sydney to score 150 runs and give England a 162-run lead yesterday. See Page 14

THE PICTURE WHICH TELLS IT ALL—CENTRE PAGES



1979-1997 Conservative
government

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Social and cultural events and changes in the UK in the 1970s

In 1970 life expectancy for UK men was 68.7 years, and for women it was 75 years. By 2010, these figures had risen to 77.8 years for men and 81.9 years for women.

Of marriages contracted in 1970, 22% had ended in divorce before the 15th wedding anniversary. Of marriages contracted in 1995, 33% had ended in divorce by the 15th anniversary.

In 1970, almost half of all households in the UK have a car.
(In 2010 85% will)

In 1970 65% of households own a washing machine . By 1980, 79% will and by 2014 97%.

In 1970 35% of households have a telephone. By 1980, 72% will.

In 1970, 30% of households have central heating. By 1980, 59% will and by 2014, 96%.



Annie Nightingale



February 1970, Black Sabbath's first album



Laurence Olivier made a peer, June 1970





August 1970: Isle of Wight festival

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR



September 1970, album released

Forty Martyrs of England & Wales



 CTS Saints of the Isles



October 1970. Pope Paul VI
canonized the « forty
martyrs » of England and
Wales,



Gay Liberation Front organized first London demonstration (Photo from two years later in 1972)

BATTLE FOR FREEDOM AT OLD BAILEY



Barbara Beese



Radford Howe



Rupert Boyce



Rothwell Kentish



Althea Lecointe



Frank Critchlow



Godfrey Millette



Rhodan Gordon

Leaflet
from
Mangrove Nine
campaign,
November
1970

Lennon-McCartney song team splits up

12. April 1970 No. 2244

Swing to Labour .. but Tories are still in command

LABOUR swept March-busting polls in the British Labour General elections early today, but the swing was not nearly enough to wrest control from the Tories.

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By PETER BROWN

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PAUL IS QUITTING THE BEATLES

By BOB WOOD

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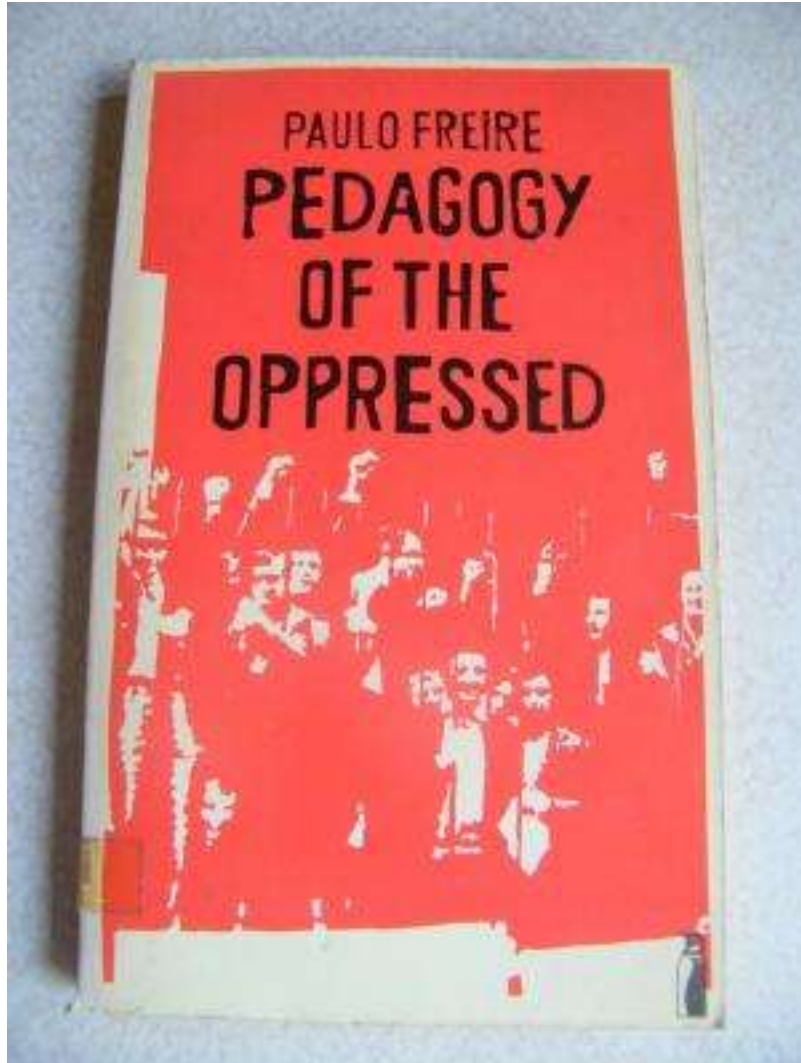


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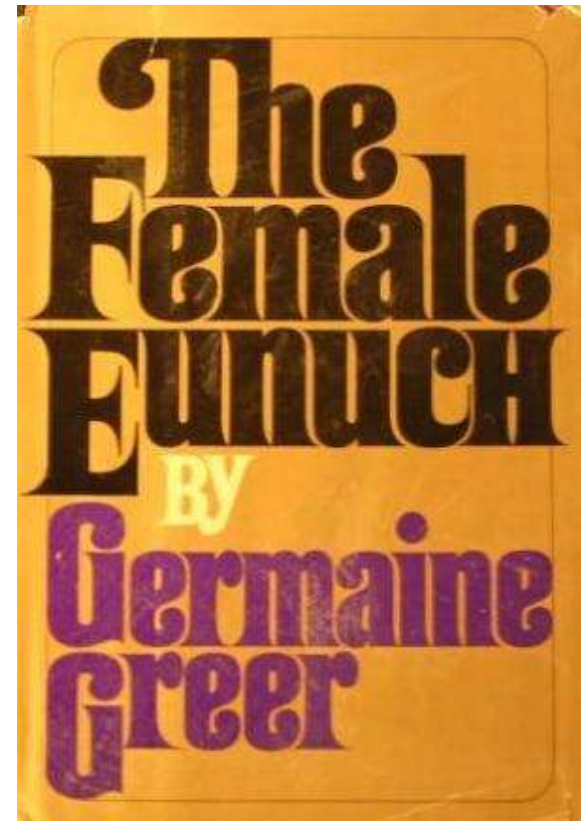
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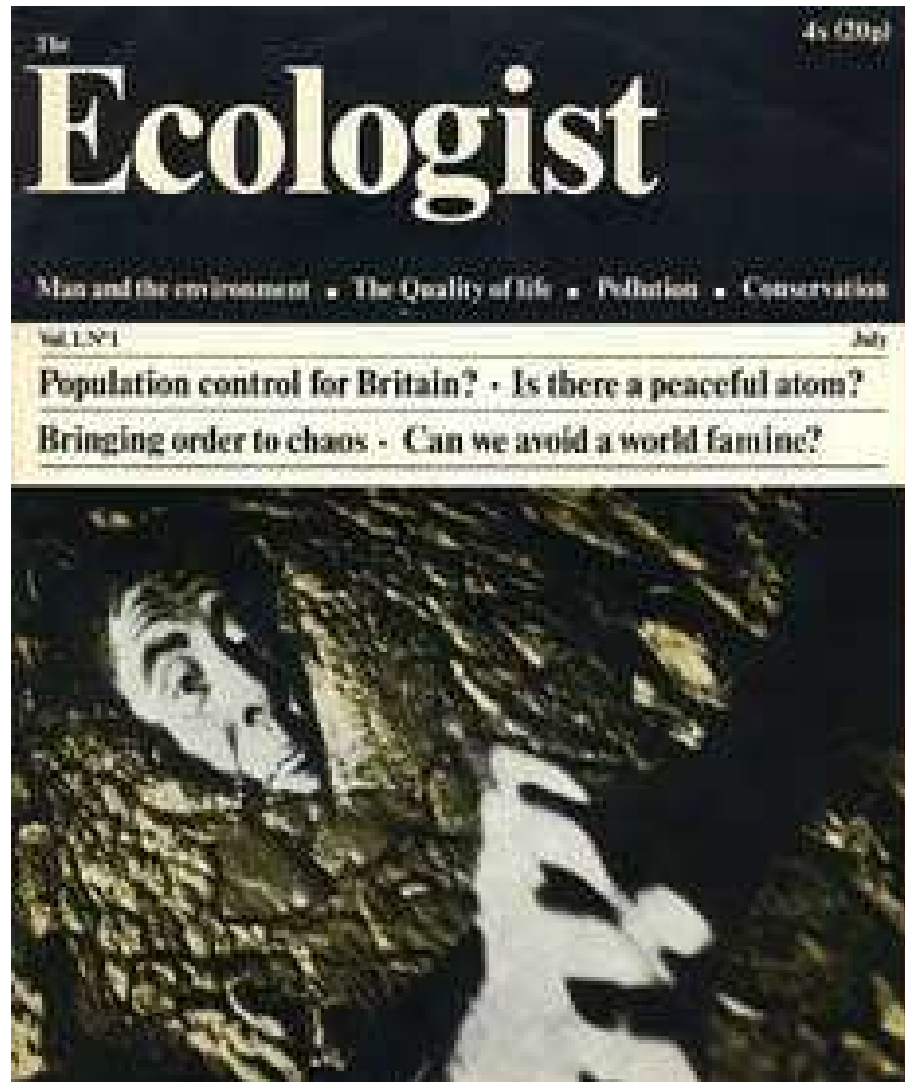
Clash over the running of Apple

December 1970: break-up of the Beatles (first announced in previous April)



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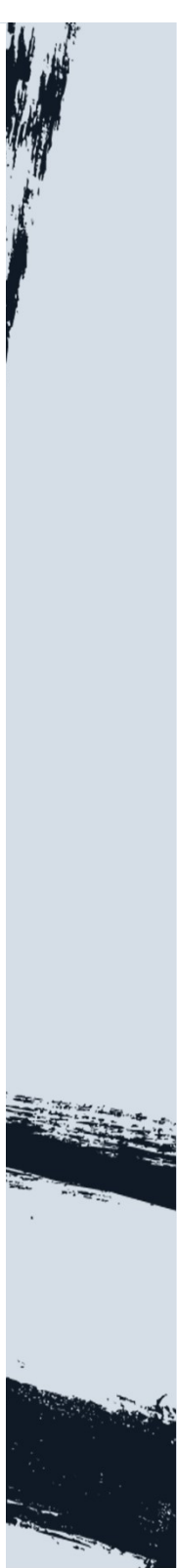




First published in 1970



• **1971**





January 1971: Divorce Reform Act 1969 comes into effect



January 1971: Open University TV broadcasts begin



April 1971: Members of the Welsh Language Association put on trial for defacing and destroying road signs

Thames-side Arena, Richfield Avenue



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Who's next

Side One: Side Two:

BABA O'RILEY (4:59)	GETTIN' IN TUNE (4:49)
BARGAIN (5:33)	GOIN' MOBILE (3:40)
LOVE AIN'T FOR KEEPIN' (2:11)	BEHIND BLUE EYES (3:40)
MY WIFE (3:35)	WON'T GET FOOLED AGAIN (8:31)
THE SONG IS OVER (6:16)	



The Who released their new album « Who's next »

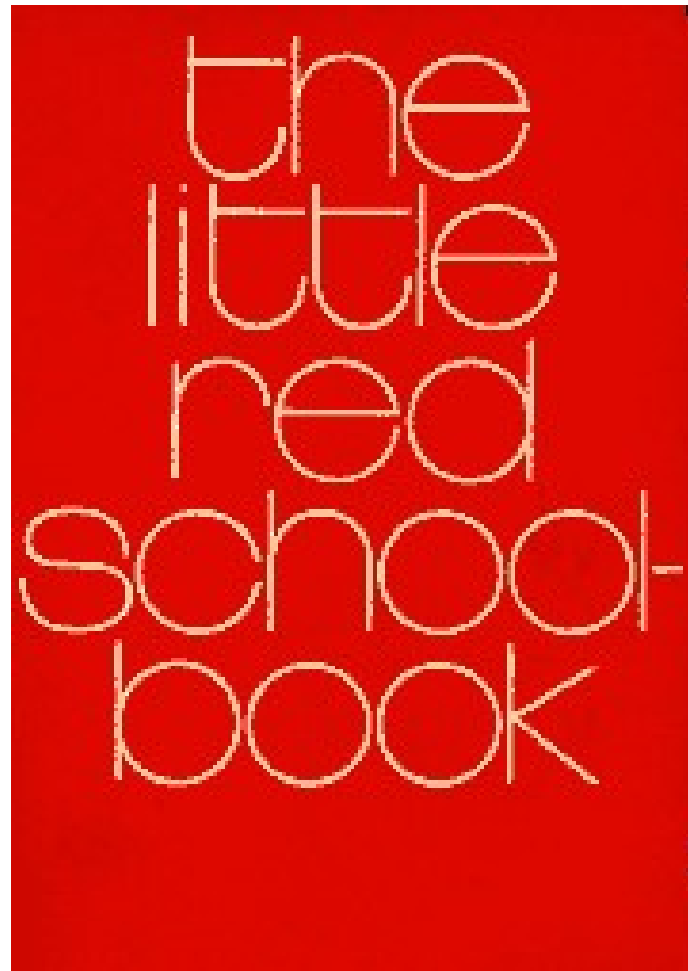


September 1971: the OGWT began



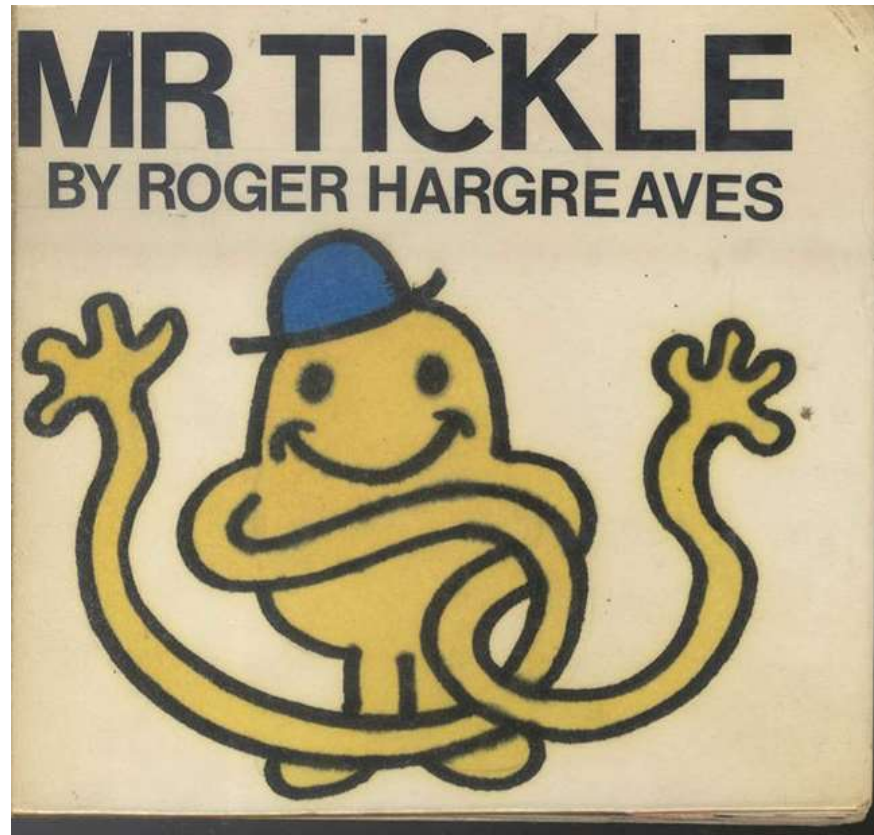
« Spaghetti Junction » opened in November 1971, today sees 200 000 cars a day, 5 times more than back then.



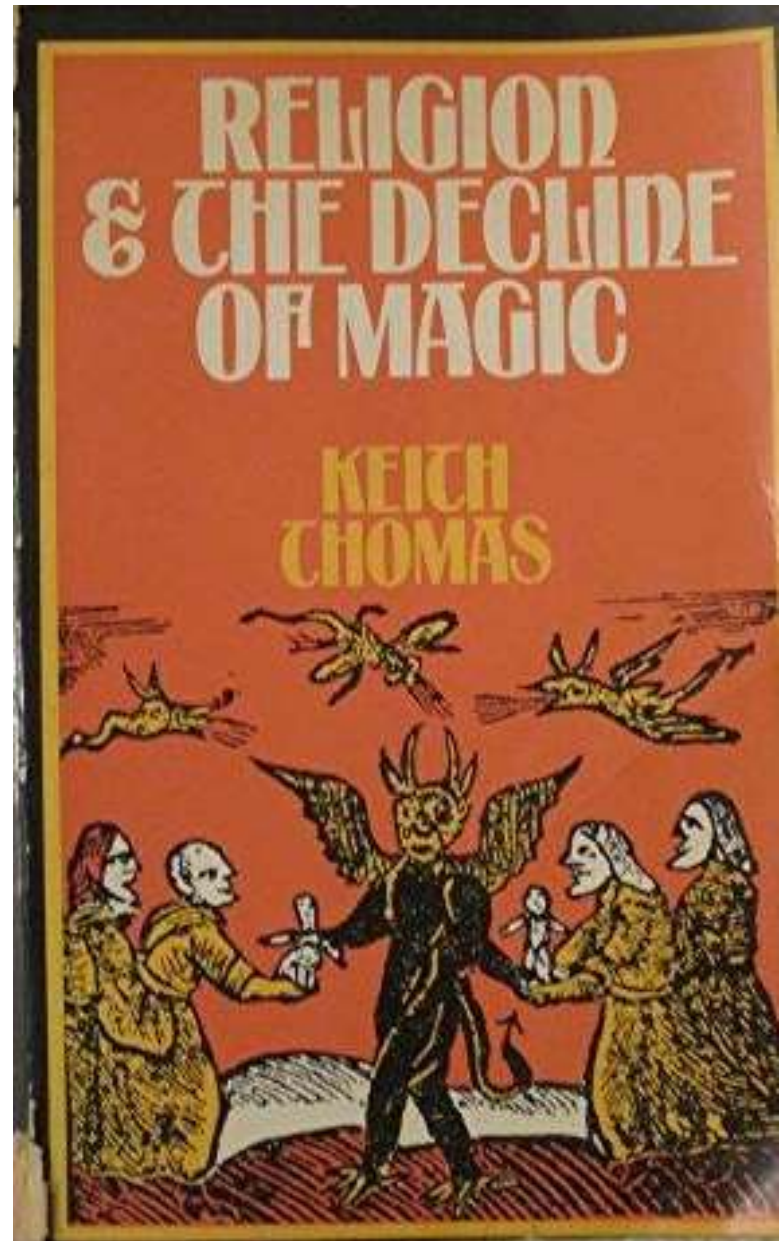


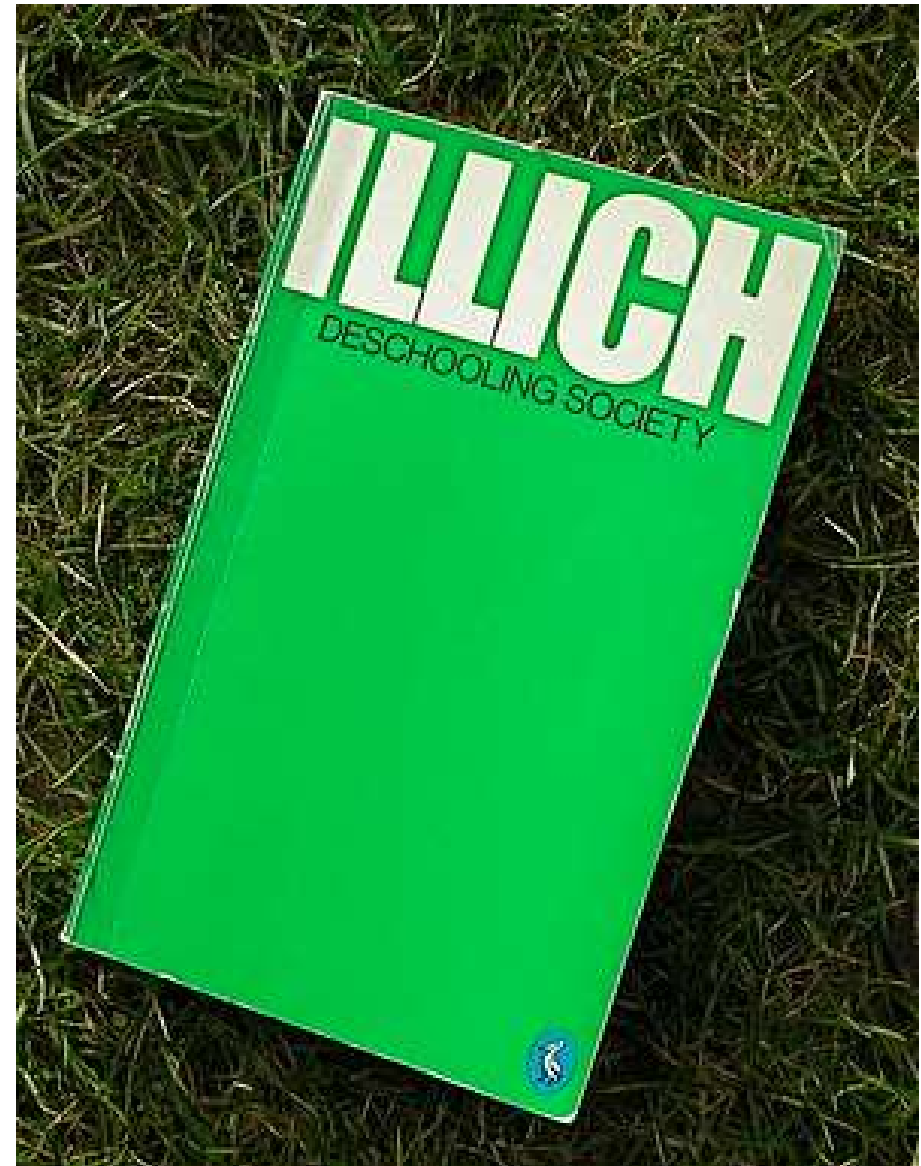
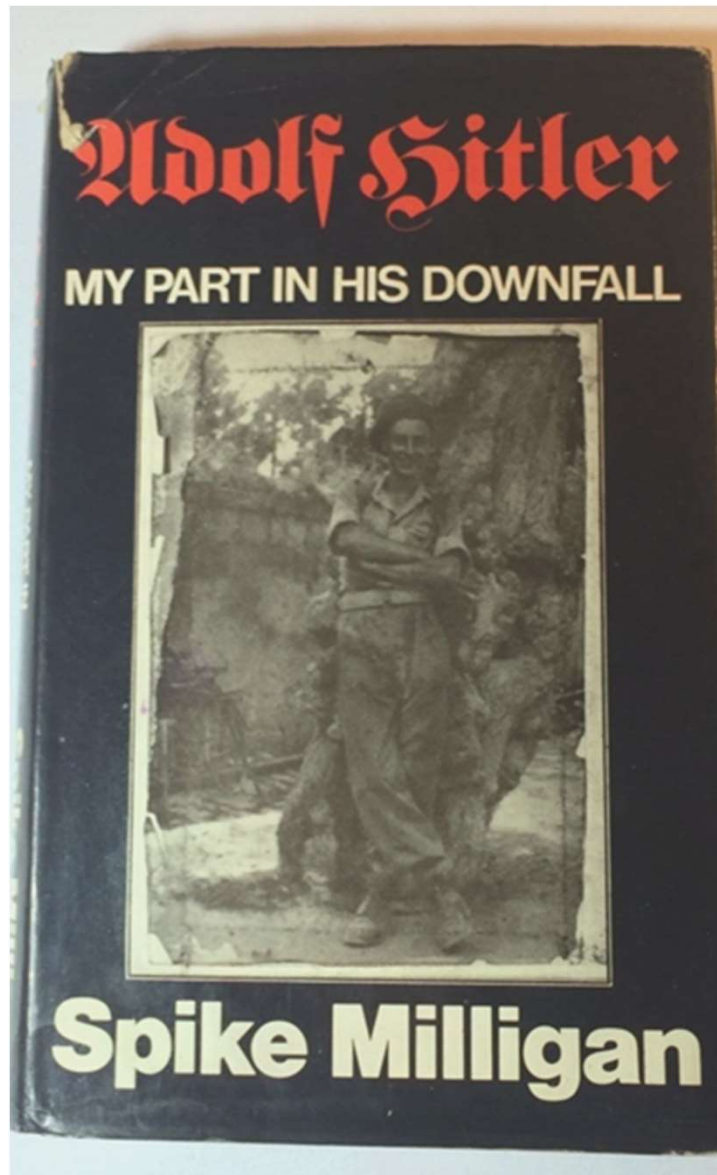


1970s board game about finding oil in the North Sea



First published
in 1971

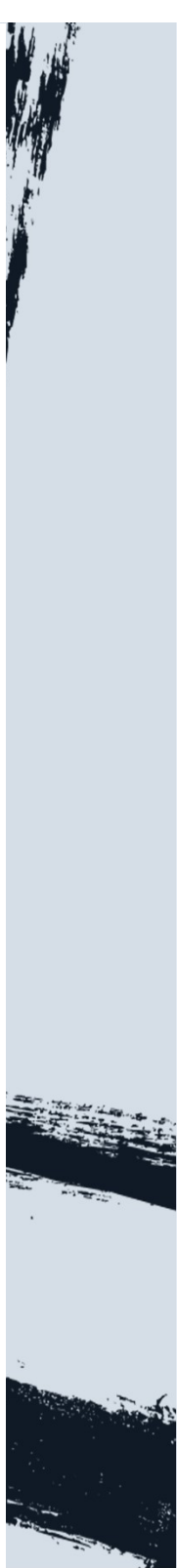




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• **1972**



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By 1972, 73% of households had fridges.
By 1980, 92%



March to Aldermaston
1972 and peace festival

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Robert Mark, new head of the Metropolitan Police in April 1972 « A good police force is one which arrests more crooks than it employs »



June 1972



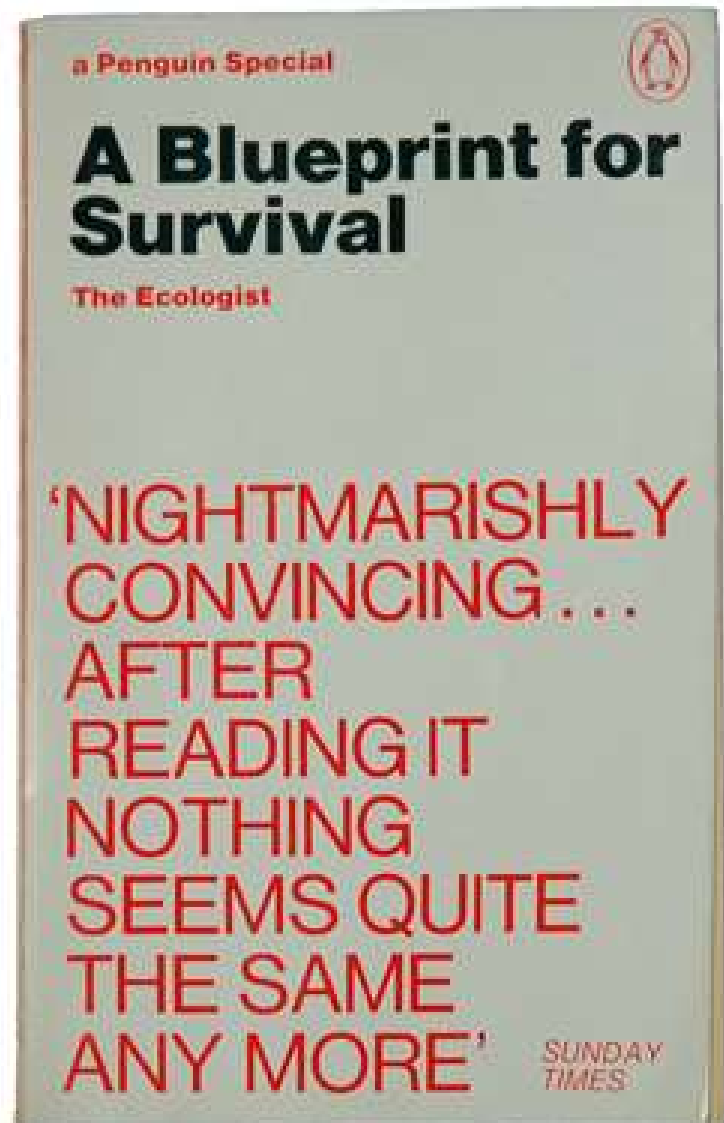
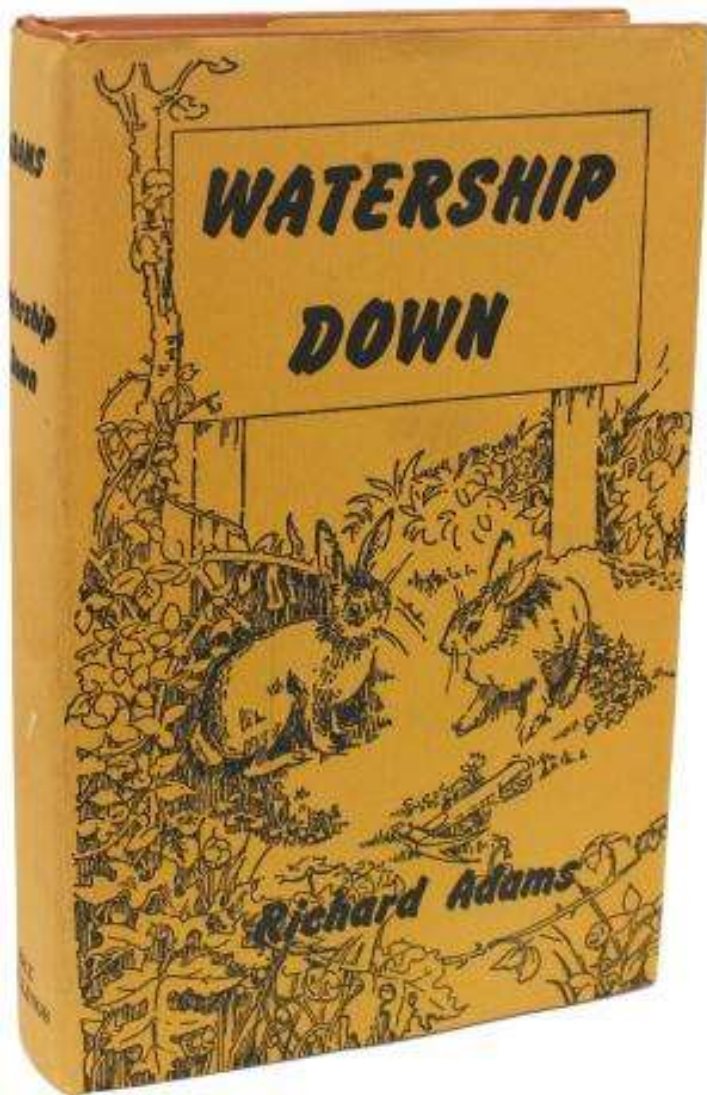
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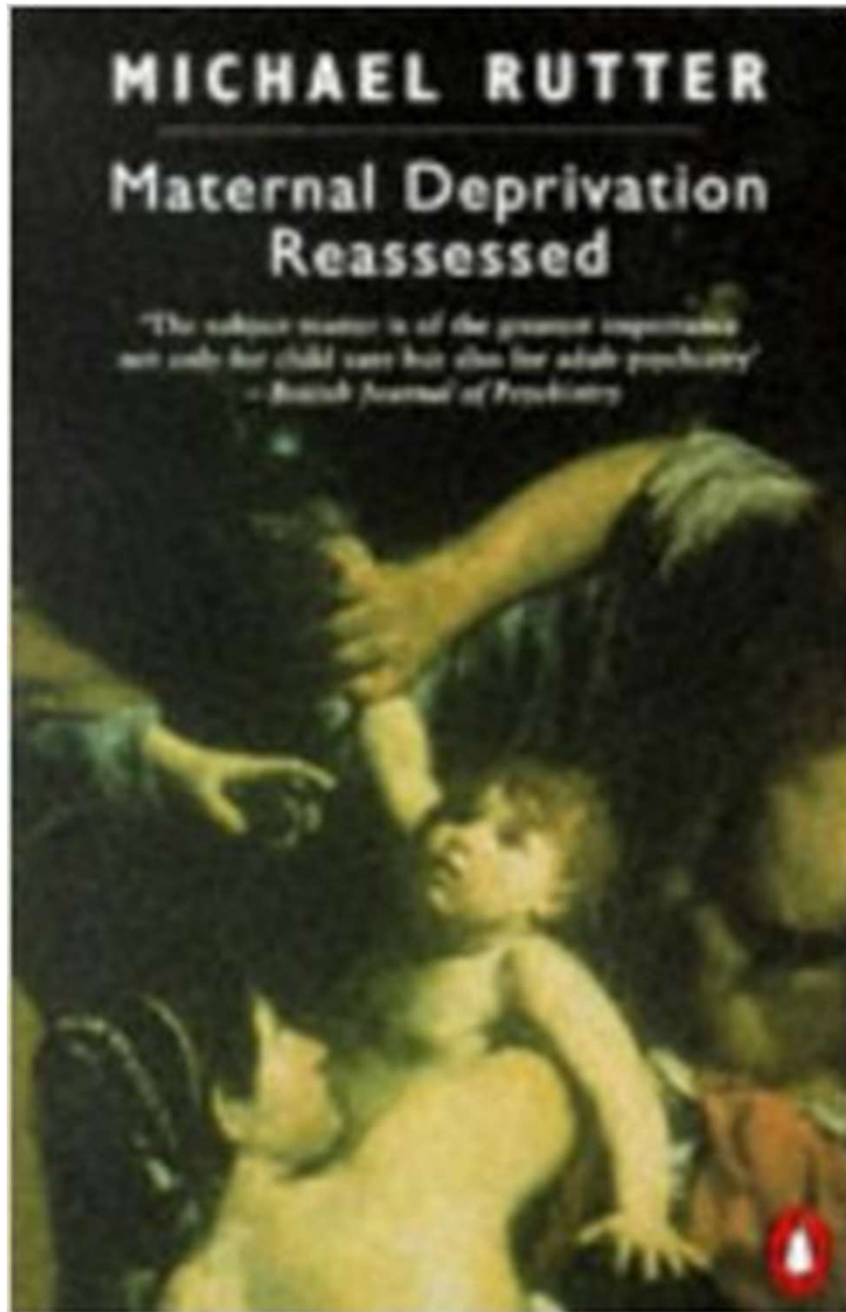
October 1972: Three Cambridge colleges admit women



First episode of Emmerdale Farm, October 1972



First published in 1972



First published 1972



WAYS OF SEEING

JOHN BERGER

Seeing comes before words. The child looks and recognizes before it can speak.

But there is also another sense in which seeing comes before words. It is seeing which establishes our place in the surrounding world; we explain that world with words, but words can never undo the fact that we are surrounded by it. The relation between what we see and what we know is never settled.



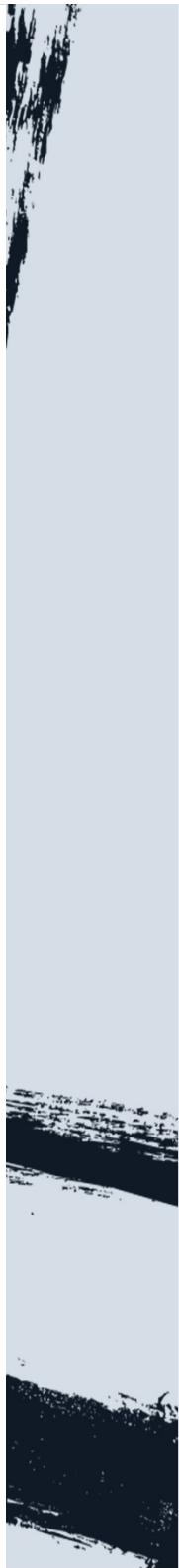
The Surrealist painter Magritte commented on this always-present gap between words and seeing in a painting called *The Key of Dreams*.

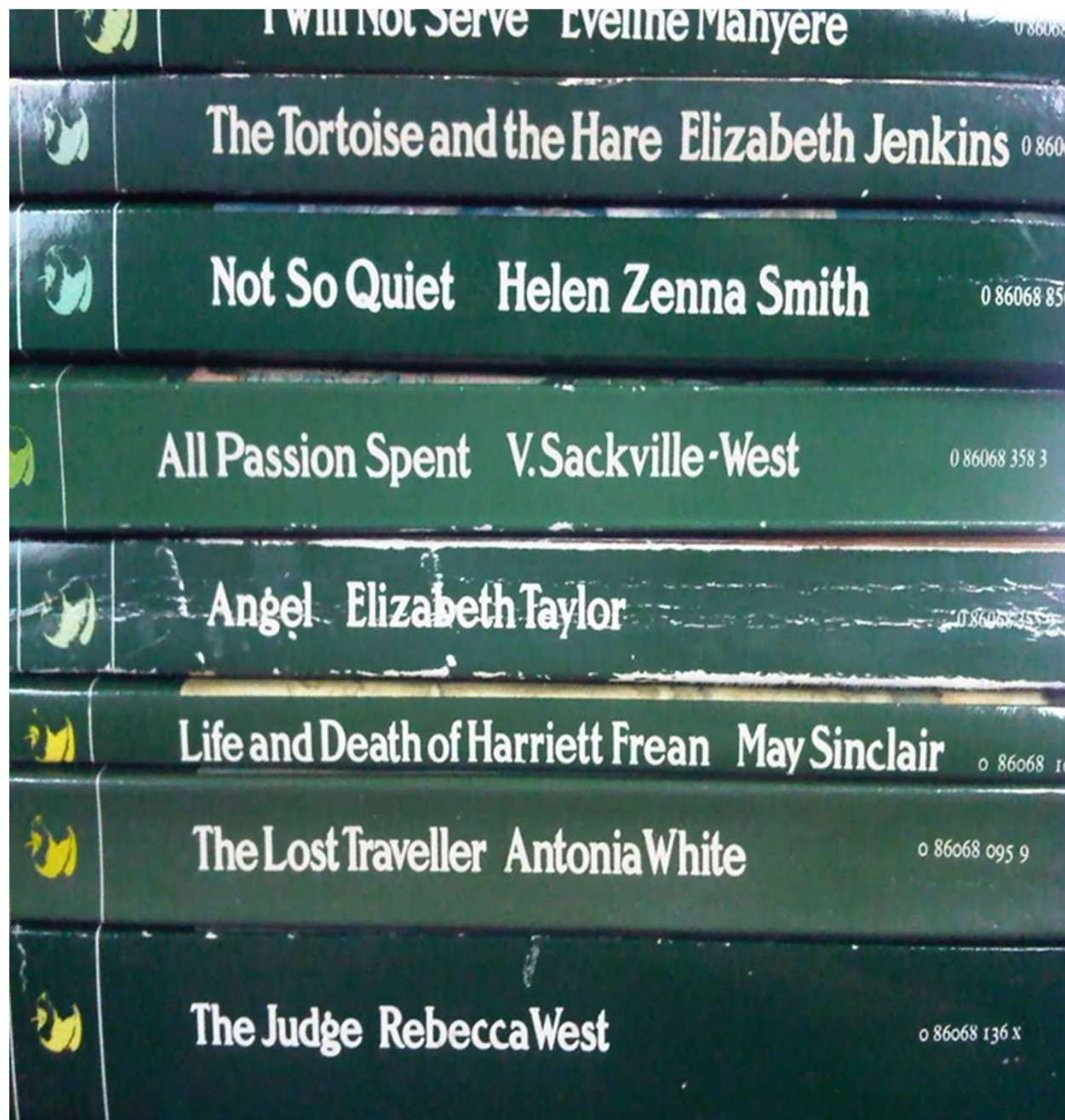
The way we see things is affected by what we

First published 1972



• **1973**





March 1973



March 1973



First women in London Stock Exchange: March 1973

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The Royal Commission on Scottish devolution and other constitutional questions reported after four years' work.





Last of the Summer Wine



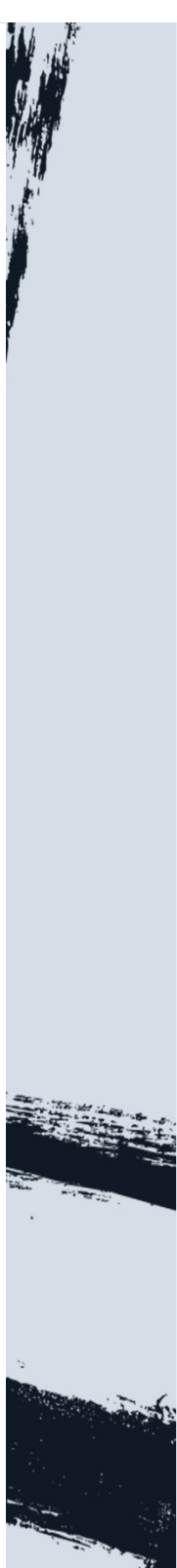
Brian Josephson, Nobel prize in
Physics



Geoffrey Wilkinson, nobel prize in
chemistry



• **1974**





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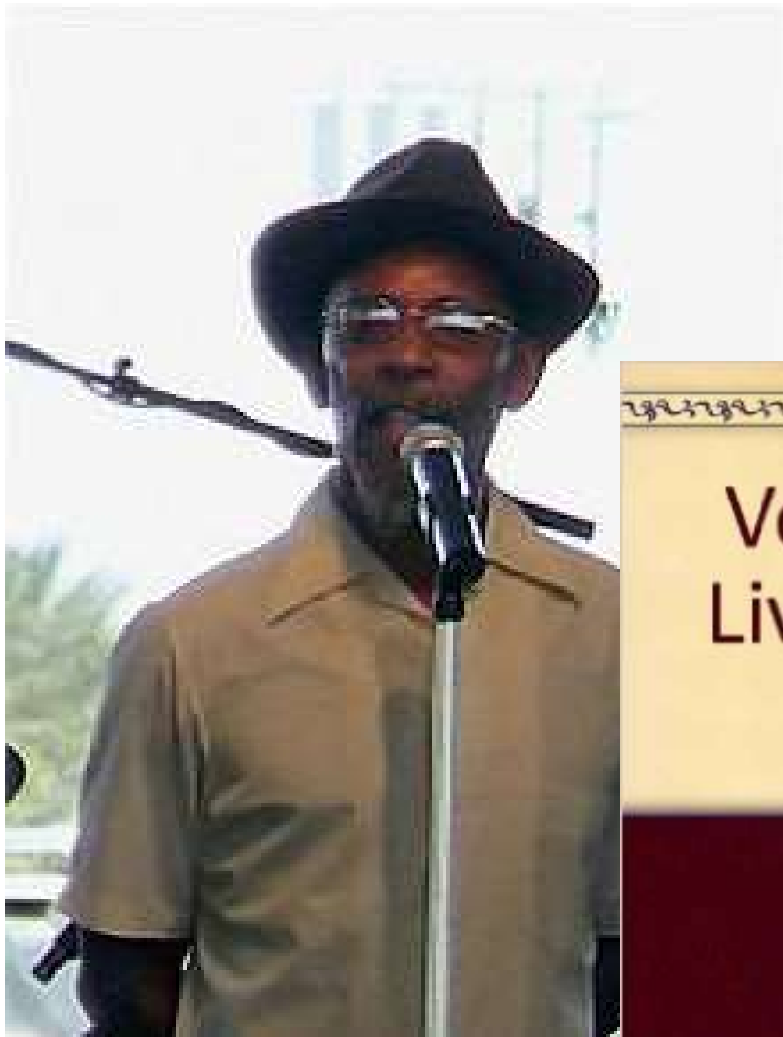
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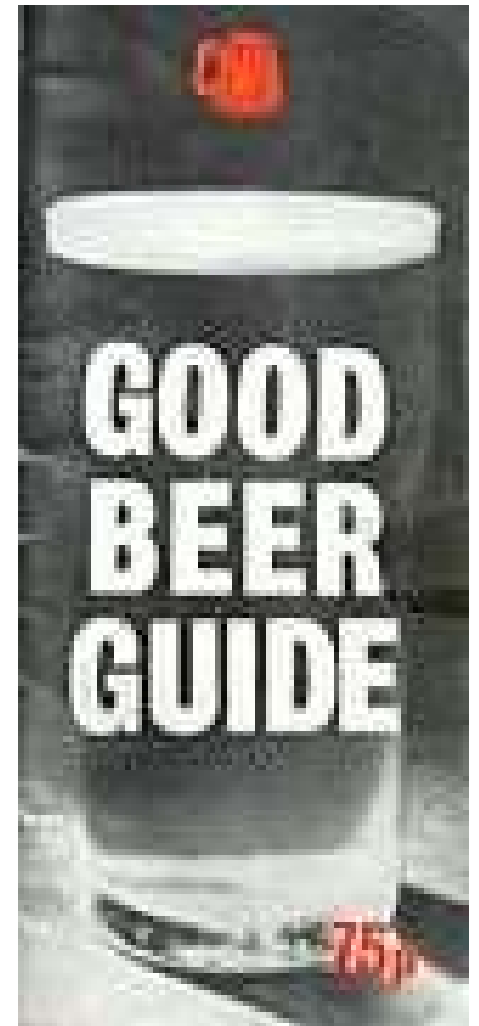
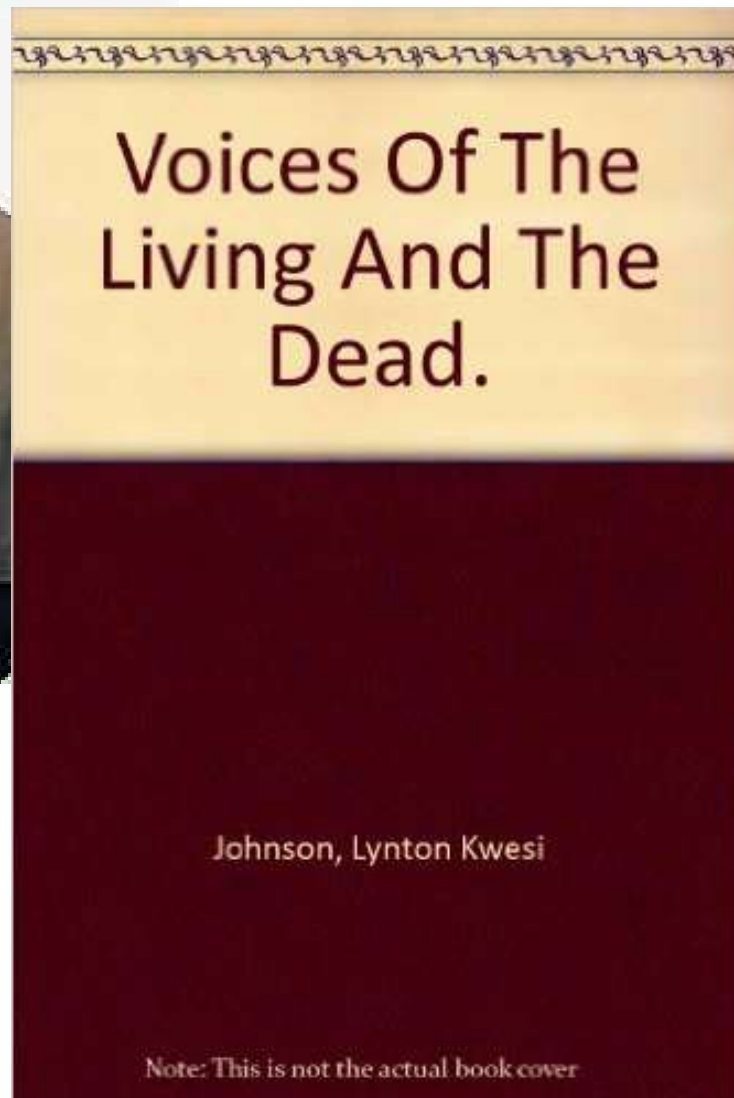
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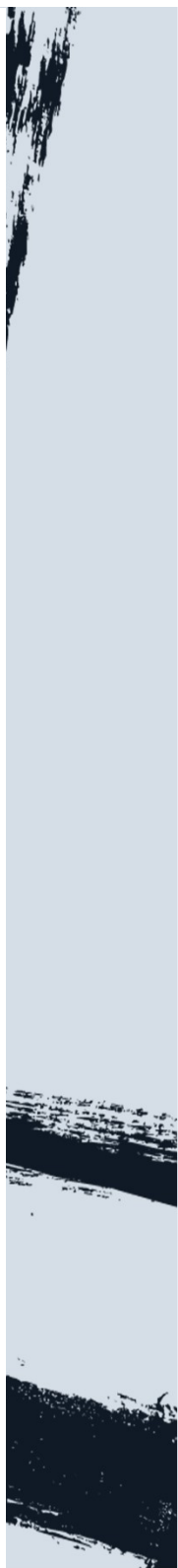


England world cup
squad 1970 and 2014





• **1975**





Donald Coggan January
1975





Sex Pistols' first concert: November 1975

What is The Equal Pay Act 1970?

- **Primarily deals with sex discrimination**
- **Does not deal with discrimination on any other grounds ie race, religion etc**
- **The Equal Pay Act operates by inserting an equality clause into a woman's contract of employment. If the contract does not include one (directly or by reference to a collective agreement or otherwise) it shall be deemed to include one.**
- **Can also be used by males who can identify female comparators**

The Equal Pay Act came into effect

In 1975, social spending amounted to 19.4% of Gross National Product. In 1960, the figure had stood at 12.4% (of a far smaller GDP).

The first meetings of the Gay Labour Group were held, lobbying inside the Labour Party for gay liberation to be taken more seriously.

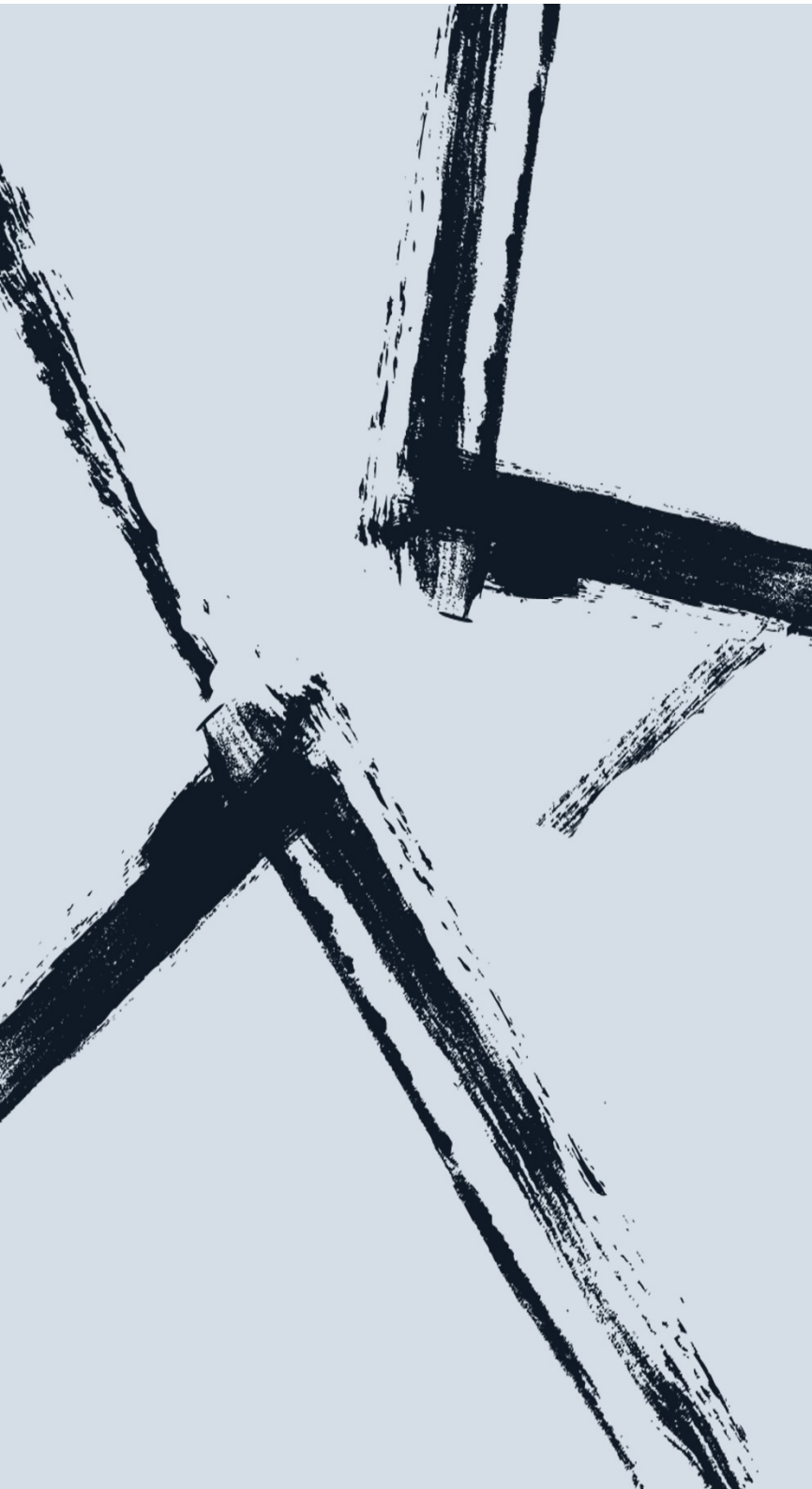
The Campaign for Homosexual Equality declared that it had six thousand members around the country.

Angela Rippon became the first ever regular woman newsreader on television, working for the BBC. It would be three years before ITV followed suit, employing Anna Ford to read the news.

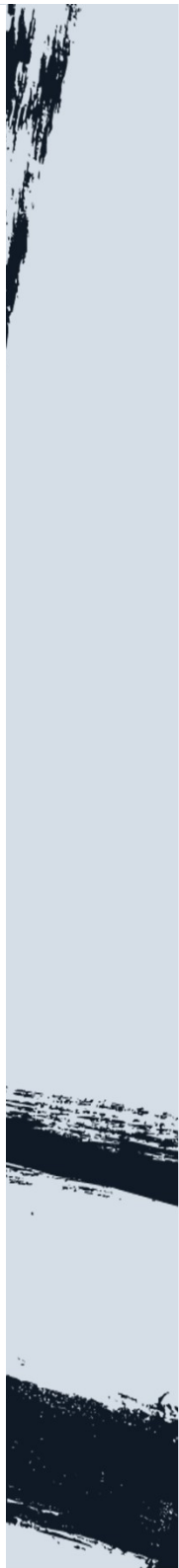


Angela Rippon, BBC newsreader

1975



• **1976**





1976-1978 Strike at Grunwick, a milestone in the involvement of trade unions in antiracist solidarity,

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Boycott BONUSPOOL & TRUCOLOUR Films

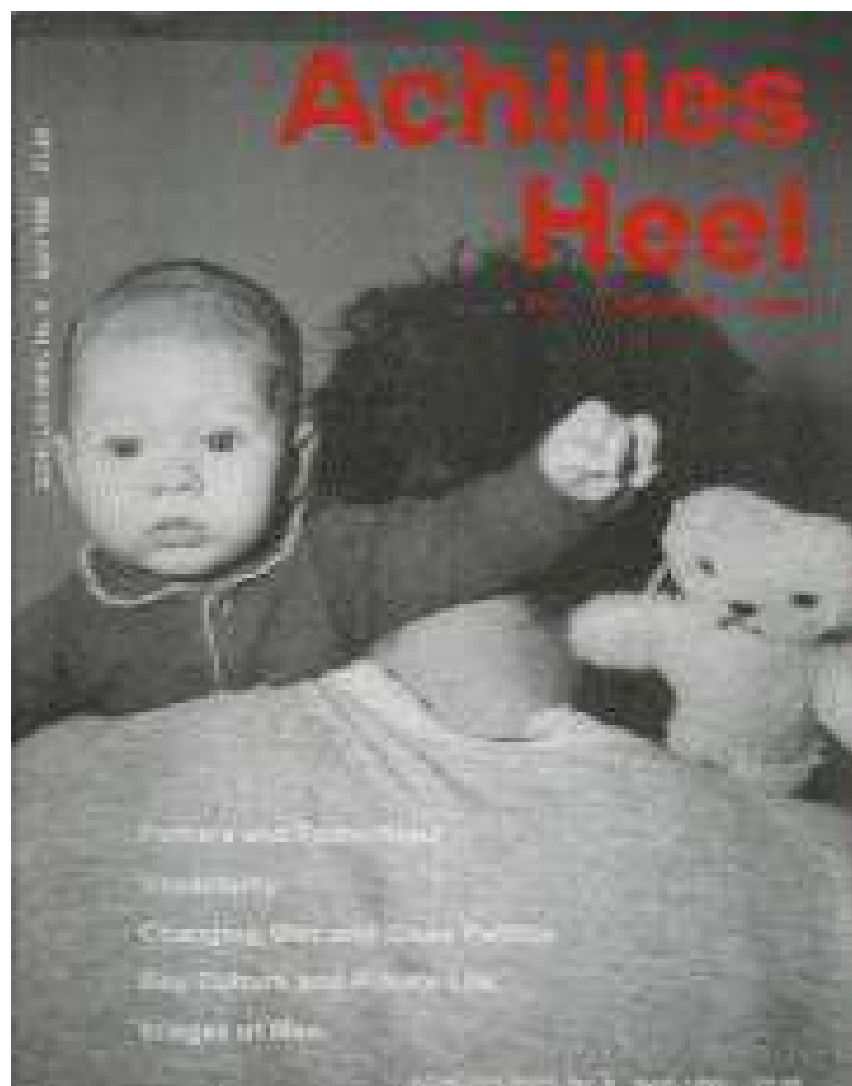
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A community artwork designed by Anna Ferrie in collaboration with residents to mark the 40th anniversary of the Grunwick strike

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They just go on and on

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How, necessary or not?

and

Condoms

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NEWS, HOBS, FEELINGS AND FOOD TIPS



Brotherhood of Man win the Eurovision song contest in 1976



Notting Hill August 1976

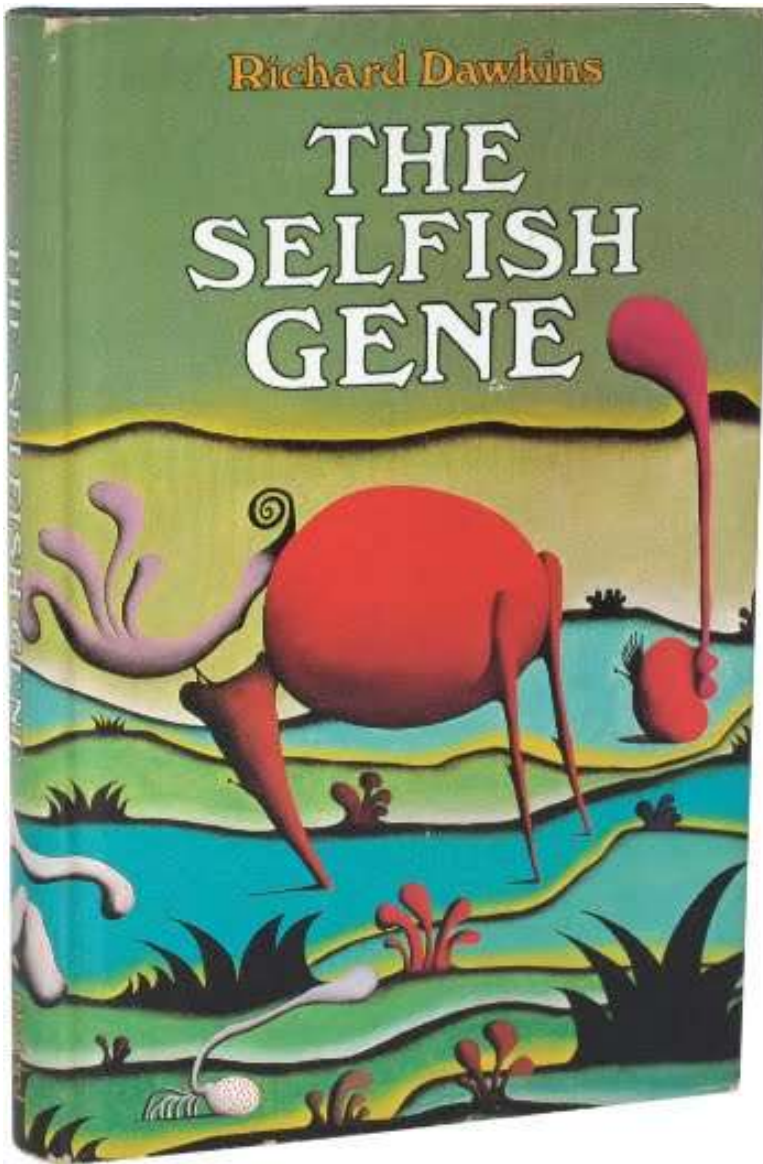


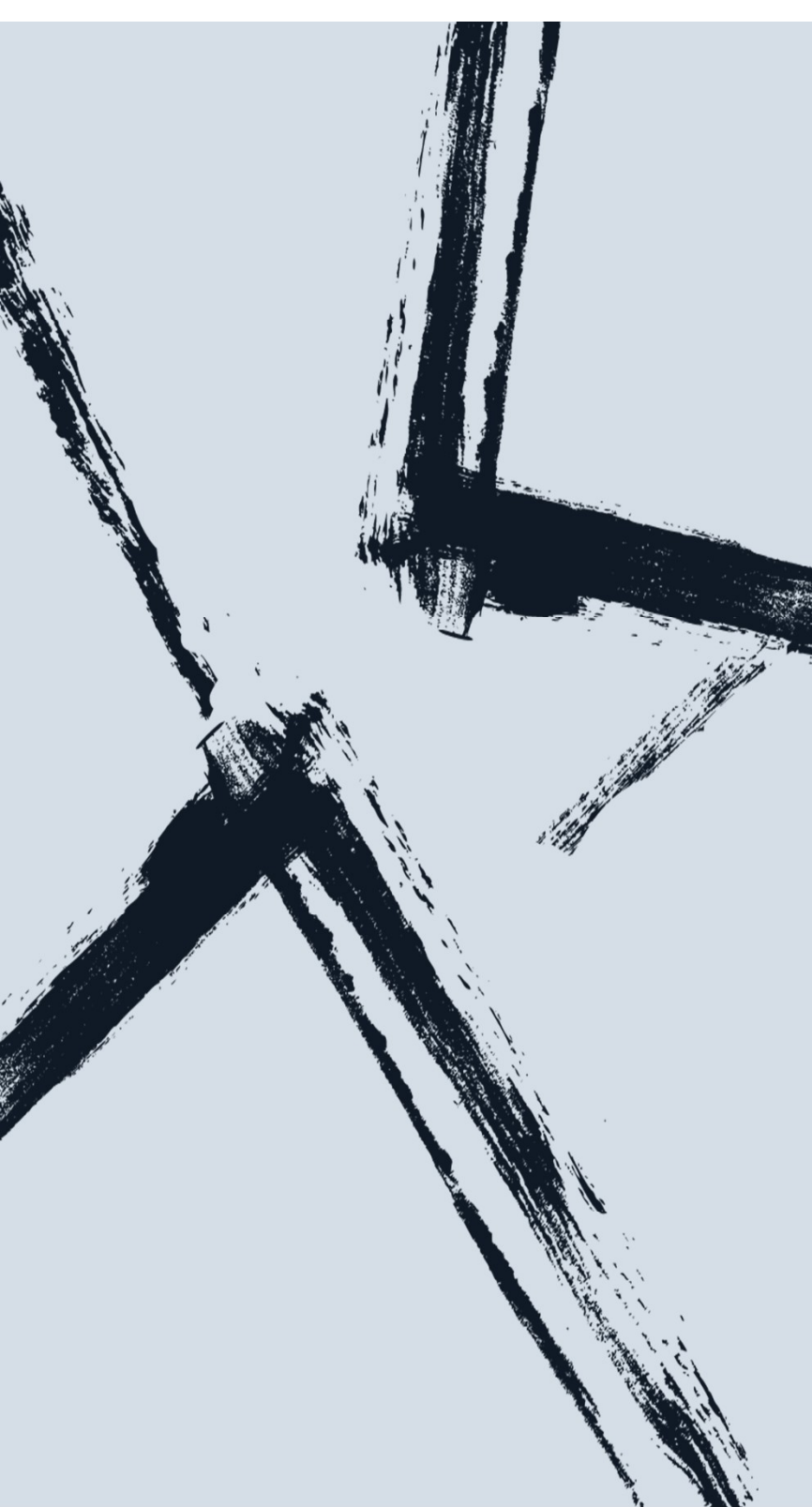
1976: first intercity 125 trains



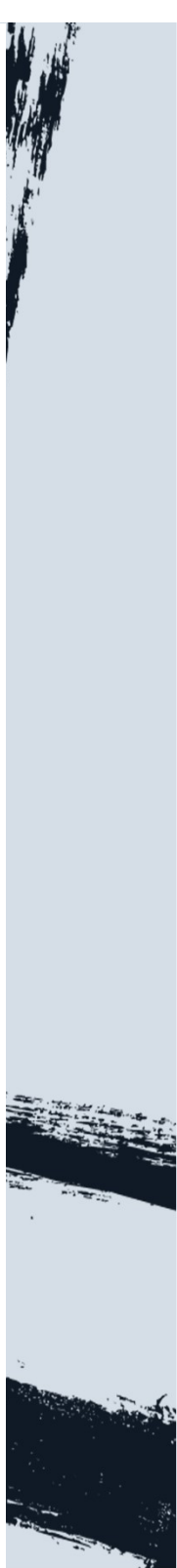
1976: Sex Pistols on Bill Grundy show

First published in 1976





• **1977**





An early work by Ken Loach – Tv play



1977

BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS

EXODUS



Gay News 'blasphemy' trial: battle begins

THE trial and the blasphemy case in London, set to begin today in the Old Bailey court, has made Londoners aware of what is in store for the publishers of the magazine Gay News.

The "blasphemous" magazine has been published since 1971 under the name of "Gay News" and is the only magazine in the world to be published by a group of men who are openly gay.

The magazine, which is published by the publishers Gay News, is a monthly magazine, which is published in London, and is the only magazine in the world to be published by a group of men who are openly gay.

in public confidence to the law before the law was made.

The second case, involving the magazine, was set to begin in court in London, set to begin in court in London, set to begin in court in London.

The court was packed. The magazine was in the middle of the trial and the judge ruled that the magazine was blasphemous.

The case, which is the first case of its kind, is the first case of its kind, is the first case of its kind, is the first case of its kind.

Protesters in the Old Bailey Square London today, they said, the case would be a test for the law which blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is made.

Yugoslav defence of Carrillo

A member of the Yugoslav Commission, Peter Carrillo, has defended the magazine, which is the only magazine in the world to be published by a group of men who are openly gay.

The magazine, which is published by the publishers Gay News, is a monthly magazine, which is published in London, and is the only magazine in the world to be published by a group of men who are openly gay.

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FOR EVERY MAN
WHO EVER THOUGHT HE
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FOR EVERY WOMAN
WHO EVER THOUGHT SHE
KNEW HERSELF!

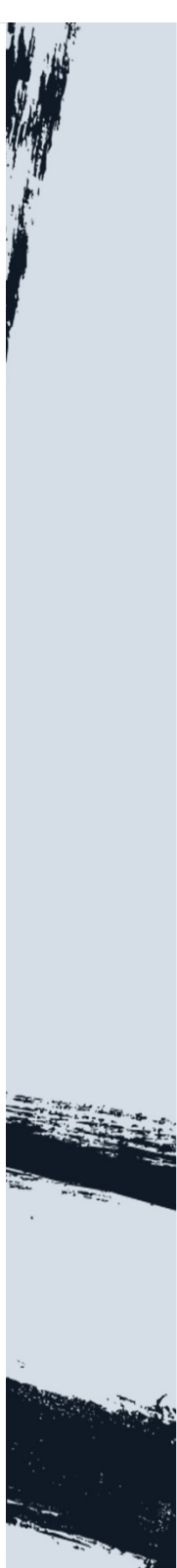
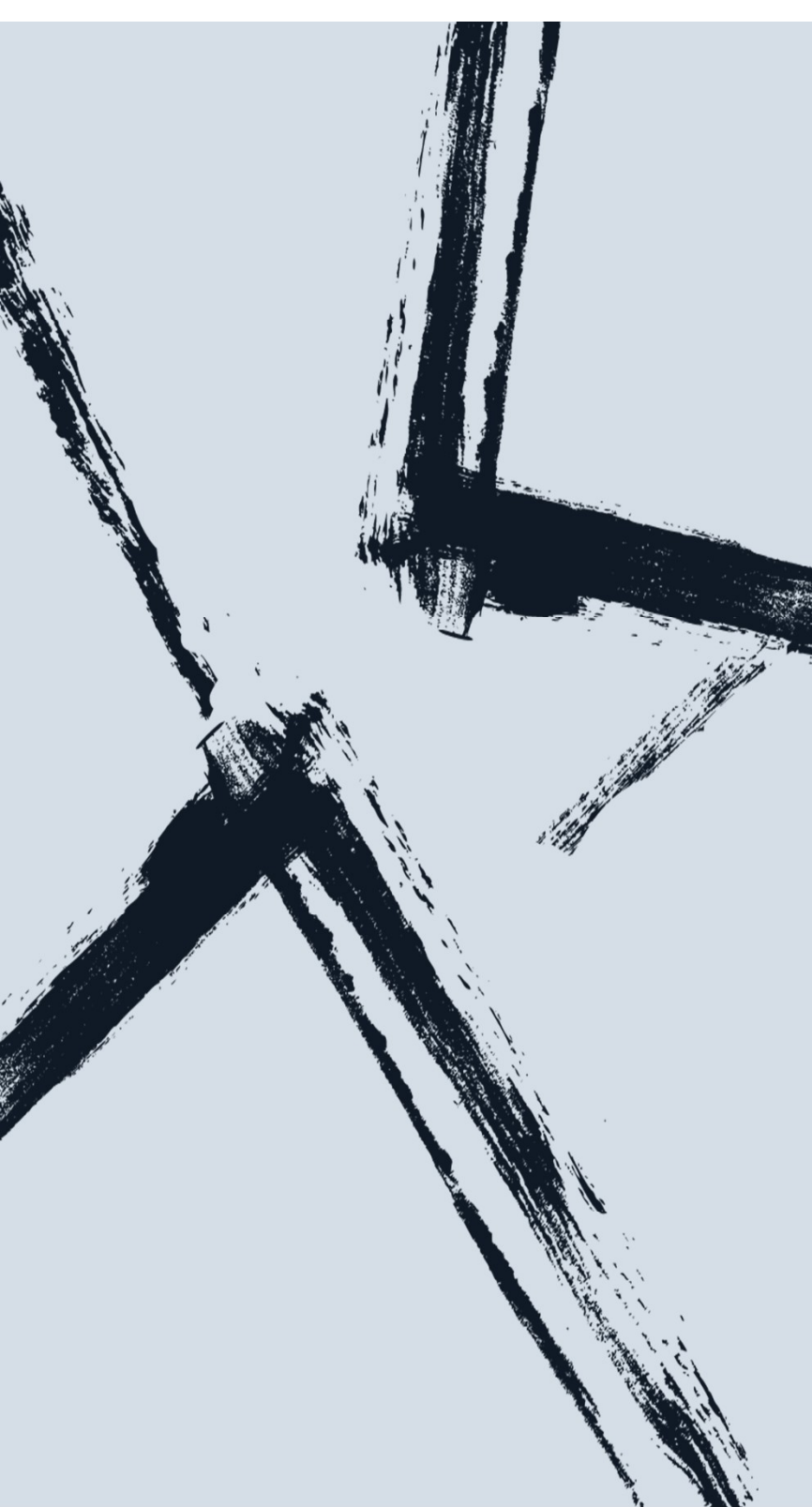
MARILYN FRENCH



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In 1978, 28.5% of all jobs were in manufacturing industry; in 2009, the figure was just 10%.

In 1978 there were 13 million trade union members in the United Kingdom.



• **1978**



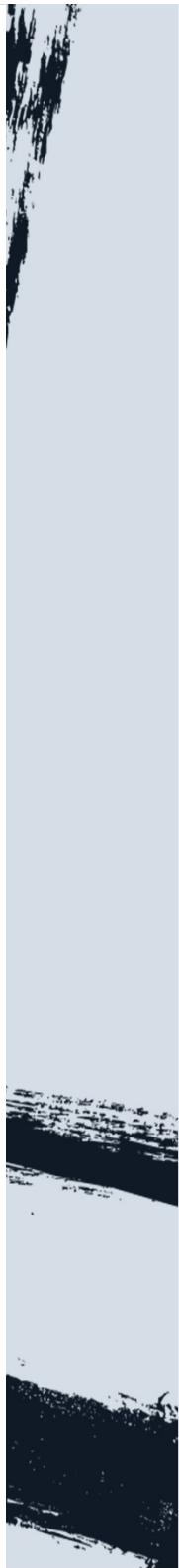




Viv Anderson



• **1979**





A photo-finish!



But 'Yes' vote may fall at 40% hurdle

System Three REFERENDUM POLL

The poll results indicate that the 'Yes' vote may fall short of the 40% hurdle required for independence. The poll shows a narrow lead for the 'Yes' vote, but it is not clear if it will reach the necessary 40% threshold.

The poll was conducted by Slater Hogg & Howison, a leading opinion pollster. It shows that the 'Yes' vote is currently at approximately 38%, while the 'No' vote is at approximately 62%.

The poll also shows that the 'Yes' vote is more popular among younger people and those who are more educated. However, the 'No' vote is more popular among older people and those who are less educated.

The poll results are based on a sample of 1,000 people. The margin of error is plus or minus 3.5%.

Callaghan concedes Welsh defeat

By STUART THORPE and GEOFFREY PARSONS

Prime Minister James Callaghan has conceded that the Labour Party has lost the Welsh referendum. He said that the 'Yes' vote was not high enough to win the referendum.

Callaghan said that the Labour Party will continue to support the Welsh people's desire for independence, but that it will not be able to win the referendum at this time.

He said that the Labour Party will continue to work for the best interests of the Welsh people, and that it will continue to support the Welsh people's desire for independence.

Tories narrow the gap

The Conservative Party has narrowed the gap between itself and the Labour Party in the opinion polls. The poll shows that the Conservative Party is now leading the Labour Party by a narrow margin.

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LATE NEWS

Party	Percentage
Conservative	48.4%
Labour	51.6%

1979 Referendum Question:

Do you want the provisions of the Scotland Act 1978 to be put into effect?



But devolution fails because less than 40% of total electorate votes yes.

GANG OF FOUR entertainment!

The Indian smiles, he



thinks that the cowboy

is his friend.

The cowboy smiles, he is



glad the Indian is fooled.



Now he can exploit

him.

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THE
WALL



Dame Josephine Barnes became the first woman president of the British Medical Association.