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DIGEST

Sinai handover: I'll resign first, says Begin

ISRAELI Prime Minister Menachem Begin has said he would voluntarily hand over the Sinai Peninsula...

Lost schoolboy could be with escaped prisoner

POLICE were today trying to trace a missing five-year-old schoolboy who they believe is the younger brother of an escaped prisoner...

ITALIAN PREMIER QUITS

ITALIAN Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti today resigned after weeks of speculation...

FOUR DIE IN CLUB BLAST

FOUR PEOPLE are dead in a bomb attack on a club in Liverpool...

FARRAH GETS RAPE THREATS

FORNIA Charlie's Angel Farrah Fawcett today received two rape threats...

HAMILTON'S NEW MOVE

AVENUEHARVEST M.P. Willie Hamilton has tabled a motion to enable the Liverpool City Council to vote on a bid to buy the city...

MISSING BOY SIGHTED

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Lester Chubb, missing from home in Reading, Berkshire, since he was five...

PAPER TO COST MORE

THE COVER price of the Times of the World will be up by 2p to 12p from today...

ARCHBISHOP BACKS LYNCH

THE FEELING of the Irish priest Mr. Jack Lynch for a British bid to acquire a building from the Catholic Church in Ireland...

FEUD COUPLE GUNNED DOWN

A MAN and a woman were shot dead in Milan, Italy, today in what police believe was a criminal underworld feud...

WEATHER FORECAST

FRIDAY: B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.



Firemen at the Mallion Garden station back on duty and waiting to become operational.



Control room girls at Mallion Garden Fire Station glad to be back and ready for duty.

UNEASY PEACE AS FIREMEN GO BACK



By ALF BENNETT MERSEYSIDE'S 1,500 firemen reported for work today for the first time in ten weeks in an atmosphere of bitterness and disappointment...

INSIDE TONIGHT

Death where death lurks PAGE 2: The week in Southampton with a death watch musician.

Great free contest... PAGE 6: Thousands of people will get in for a great free contest.

Water rates shock PAGE 7: Domestic water charges are going up by 12 per cent.

Terror for the nurses PAGE 7: What violence stills the nerves.

Save me from Super-stud PAGE 8: Jack Collins who has been a top model of men who want to be.

New-style crossword BACK PAGE: Your special crossword.

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STOCKS LATEST: Allied Colloids dropped 12 to 59, following warning of second half profits downturn.

MINERS' VOTE: Acceptance of bonus deal by Yorkshire miners confirmed by Yorkshire leader Arthur Scargill.

UPPER ROOMS: Severely damaged, but occupied by Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Christy.

DEATH BEAST: British steel Corporation admitted at Laminex Crown Court.

REACTOR: A Great Godwin from Borough was in action in Ormskirk today.

FROM MIDNIGHT: At least two today, Army fire fighters were called out five times on Merseyside.

FOUR OF THE CALLS: Four of the calls came after 9 a.m. but none of the fires were serious.

LEISURE GUIDE: Leisure Guide 2, Echo Woman 8, TV and Radio 5, Classified 8-14, Your Stars 5, Racing 14.

30,000 jobs must go, says Leyland

LEYLAND chairman Mr. Michael Edwards was expected to say today that he wants to slash his labour force by 30,000 by 1981, with 12,000 fewer jobs this year alone.

A gloomy Monday...

Many an anxious glance was flashed on the assembly floor by the news that the Government's conciliation service today in a bid to find a formula for a return to work at Triumph Spoke...

The tragedy of a sick man's revenge

FOR 30 YEARS a husband in mental care harboured the delusion that a doctor had seduced his wife in 1947.

AMERICA TOO TAME — PISTOLS

The punk rock group of Pistol are very disappointed by the tame nature of American audiences during their recent U.S. tour.

School meals could cost more

The price of school meals is likely to go up in September, but it has not yet been decided by how much.

Boats protest

A U.S. nuclear submarine today called through about 20 protesting small boats of Auckland to begin a counter-protest visit to New Zealand.

Picture by Eddie Barford

Retired Junior Herbert Bowden, aged 67, made himself a 'left' Charlie in the hope of bringing honours to the city.

REACTOR

A Great Godwin from Borough was in action in Ormskirk today when a fire broke out in a house in West View Court.

DEATH BEAST

British steel Corporation admitted at Laminex Crown Court that it had failed to ensure safety of employees at Scunthorpe steelworks on night 11 men died when reactor exploded showing them with molten metal.

COMMENT

Storm all at sea

ONLY days after the Judge McKinnon controversy comes another race relations storm. This time it is over new Tory policy document which, it is rumoured, would severely reduce immigration and which would be incorporated into the party's manifesto for the next General Election.

It is perhaps this aspect — as much as the sensitivity of the topic itself — which has caused such instant and angry reaction.

One critic accuses the Tories of "jumping on the National Front bandwagon."

Another has described the move as "a very dangerous vote catching drive."

But isn't all the reaction a trifle premature?

The versions of what sort of plan is to be put before the Shadow Cabinet are so varied as to be contradictory.

While there are allegations that the cutback would involve Britain renege on promises given to East African holders of UK passports, and to the wives and children of existing immigrants, there are equally forceful denials that this is in any way contemplated.

It is yet another example of the subject becoming so emotionally charged that without any facts having been established — beyond the knowledge that a report on immigration is being prepared for the Shadow Cabinet — discussion is already in an advanced and heated stage.

Let's wait and see just what is being proposed before we pass judgment.

THEIR AIM IS TO SHOCK, SICKEN AND SCANDALISE

Punk means provocative. But what happens when its exponents go too far? Are there any safeguards to protect the public from a group who call themselves the Moors Murderers and their record "Free Myra Hindley"? **WILLIAM LEECE reports.**

Inspector Hugh Fryce, prosecuting a young punk rocker for wearing an obscene badge, put his finger on the matter with one succinct question at a Liverpool courtroom.

"Isn't a major part of the whole punk rock cult," he asked the bench, "simply one of shocking people?"

Whether or not the Magistrates agreed with him is not recorded, but 17-year-old Cathy Lynch walked out of the court £10 the poorer after she admitted that her badge — "If you don't want to [***] me baby, [***] off" — was an indecent exhibition.

There you have it. Punk means provocative and if you provoke people

with four letter words in public (as matter how well-known the four-letter words may be) you are likely to end up in court.

Combine the four-letter words with remarks about God, "Christ, and you might be done for blasphemy, and bring in the Queen and the charges could be made out under some obscure medieval act that could have you hung, drawn and quartered on Tyburn Hill (although whether or not the charges would stick in this grey area of the law is a different matter altogether).

But what of the group calling itself the Moors Murderers? Their record "Free Myra Hindley" has

been attacked from all sides as a gross breach of good taste.

Tom Pendry, the Member of Parliament whose constituency takes in the site of the murders, has openly condemned the record. The Liberal Home Affairs spokesman in the Commons, Emily Hooson has joined in, and has been backed by three young Liberal councillors in Liverpool who are calling for a watchdog committee for the recording industry.

But there seems to be little they can do to stop the record, apart from hoping that would-be buyers will demonstrate their contempt by giving a man a record is neither obscure, blasphemous or sedition, it would appear to be clear of the law.

"You might just have been able to bring a case for conspiracy to cause a public mischief" but that law's gone now," said one lawyer. "You might just be able to make out an obscenity case, writing that the record is condoning violence, but it would be difficult and it would depend on the exact wording of the record."

My personal opinion is that you'd be really hard-pressed to get a conviction against them for anything.

An "Government consultant" in a good way would soon find his new presence almost impossible to use without causing

LAUGH-IN WITH... ALBERT



Can punk be tamed?

into changes of censorship. "Free Myra Hindley" will probably never catch on, thank goodness, but what of the Rolling Stones, roundly condemned in the only 60's or 70's ever evil under the sun? Now they are the darlings of a whole generation and a half who shudder with glee at the prospect of being prosecuted and punished by Mick Jagger and Co.

So what of the Liverpool young Liberal idea for a record industry watchdog? Pop journalist Chris Galovics (whose column appears in the Weekend Echo on Saturdays) has his ear very close to the ground among the Liverpool record companies.

"It's not an idea that's been around very much,"

he said. "The Moors Murderers record is very cheap indeed, and it's come out on a completely unknown small label."

"Indeed, I think they've gone right over the top this time and that seems to be the general feeling in the music industry in Liverpool."

What next? No doubt, the Moors Murderers will have been forgotten within a few weeks (or so one fervently hopes) leaving Longford alone to continue his efforts to have Myra Hindley released.

He's battling against the public opinion as it is, with "friends" like the Moors Murderers, he hardly needs any enemies.

I discover that it's just a case of French without fears

Jim Marshall — our man in Europe — journeys across France and into a world of mugging, money and the Mafia.

The notoriety of Marcello's criminals... I had been warned... The kindly old couple... He's battling against...

Power

"Chicago in the 30's was a paradise compared with this place," is the claim.

But that may be an exaggeration... But it was impossible to ignore the scores of gun-toting, hate-swearing state security police at the football match...

Racket

Though stories involving criminals are inevitably subjected to a censored edition... The victim's old harbour in which there are hundreds of racketeers and motor cruisers... It would be wrong to think the habit...

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AND NOW THE MOST UNUSUAL PUNK EVENT OF THE YEAR

Competition hots up as the bad girls of rock go flat out for a loser's title

"Thirty-Eight Inch Bust," says the young man to the latest editor at the door of the Royal College of Art.

"Yes what?"

"Thirty-Eight Inch Bust — I'm a loser."

Thirty-Eight Inch Bust is a rock group, two out of three of them are girls, and that's enough to qualify them for the night's activities, the Half Inch Chewbac Challenge.

The head of the group, Miss Mary Fisher, is to cricket with one significant exception. Fisher goes for the winners. Staff prefers the losers.

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STIFF RECORDS— who discovered Elvis Costello and Ian Dury—organised an evening to find new-wave talent for 1978. They were looking for the lady non-star of the future. Yvonne Roberts was there to report.

performance taken off his blouse.

"I am part of the Revolution," she has already announced. "I love for Britain."

Vermilion sings, posts, struts, plays with the microphone and sweats at the audience. Occasionally, when the character is so flat, she raves her arm. All is forgotten in the face of flesh.

At the side of the stage, a blonde, middle-aged lady wears a hooded, unbuttoned fur coat.

Painted Lady are the only all-girl group on to appear at the event. Broken and returned in the last year. Now, they give a work in London and they want to go professional.

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She will sing for the first time over to-night. No rehearsal, just the public appearance, that will serve as the group's audition.

At 8.30 p.m., Thirty-Eight Inch Bust, who have borrowed their instruments.

Fisher, the girl singer in black leotard, a neck tie and two silk stockings, and an strategically placed mini-breastplate, has no words.

"It is possible," says the mid-manned man, ready to dawn another light air, "to shoot—flat!"

Next comes the lady newly delivered, a blonde, middle-aged lady who is a stick of macaroni in full evening dress.

The two women through I Only Want To Be With You. One faded before carrying on the two legs again. The audience ask for more.

"You can't have any more," the man yells back irritably. "We only know that song."

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