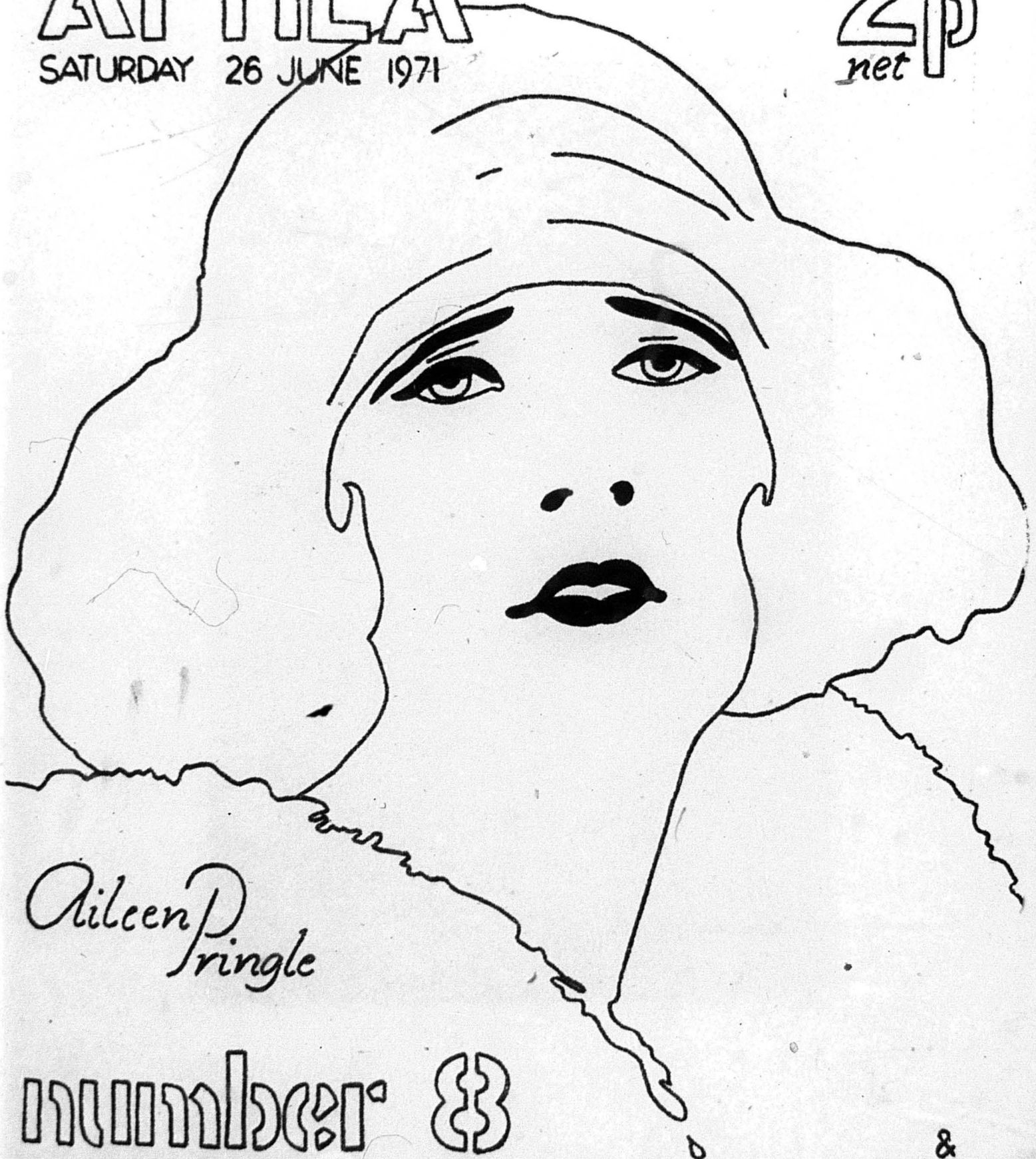


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receivers, provided that they were of reasonably low power. These could be used to play music, broadcast obscenities, and generally louse up the ether. How about an Ether Liberation Front? The amazing advances in Radio Technology (and any other technology) have left the legislators far behind. Did you know that it is possible to use the F.M. (VHF) bands already given over to entertainment broadcasting to provide up to a hundred stereo stations? These could be received on present VHF radios, and due to the nature of F.M. transmission it would be impossible to hear any other station but the one you were tuned to. These hundred stations could be transmitted with a reception area of fifty miles, so the VHF wavebands could take several thousand stations in Britain, and the quality of reception would be as good as it is now. It is interesting to note that while rockets to the moon use all the advances made in that field, governments restrict those advances that place power in the hands of those they claim to represent.

ATTILA'S BOOB OF THE WEEK or, did you spot the accidental mistake? Er...welll...looks like we boobed again, boss. Last week I did a bit on the Univ. Fest and said that some of the organisers had paid five pound fines to the proctors. In fact they've all refused to pay, Marx bless 'em! Here's the letter they sent Attila -

Dear Comrades,

Might I be Allowed to point out that for the four of us "convicted" by the Senior Proktor's fatuous kangaroo court, for supposedly "allowing" amplified music to be played outside during the Starship festival, there has never been any question of us paying the five pound "fines". Two of us went to see him on one occasion to clarify the situation and he told us that if he were to fine us and we refused to pay, the University would withhold our Degrees. We told him that the University could keep our degrees.

Subsequently we received a letter informing us that we had been fined. We sent our reply to Dr. Ford-Smith by return.

However, in order that we should not be required to return our treasured V=I Lenin awards a collection has been made which resulted in the despatch of twenty pounds of "Monopoly" notes to the Senior Proktor's office.

With love

R. Pudding (Revolutionary).

The letter follows overpage, but here's a few more thingies on the Fest. I've also been taken to task over my description of the Fest as "lacking organisation". This was meant to criticise the disorganisation at the event, and was not meant to mean that there was insufficient preparation. Apparently several people promised to man the doors, and as most of these folks decided not to turn up, Dave and Roger had to take over instead of

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Today I received a Giro which is for two week's money from the SS. Since tuesday I had been trying to get some bread from them, and they refused to pay on what seemed the smallest of pretexts. So I saw Alan at Open (with his Claimant's Union hat on) and he agreed that there was no reason for them not to pay me. It took three visits to their office, but in the end they backed down, and without explaining their previous actions in any way, they agreed to pay me.

What annoys me about this is not so much the fact that I had to borrow bread to stay alive, but that they deliberately refused to pay, knowing full well that they should. I've claimed many times before, so I know a bit about what you're allowed, but what about the people who take the word of the counter clerk as final, and presumably go away and quietly starve or something? If you think you're being shortchanged by the SS go to Open and ask to see someone from the Claimant's Union. But what about the people who never think to go? Surely we should get outside the three SS offices in the area and leaflet the people going in.

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Hullo Bluey and all the rest of you in Durham Jail. We're really glad you liked Attila 5 so we will be sending you issues from now on. Also you may be interested to know that Unicorn is sending books to seven of Her Majesty's Holiday Camps up and down the land.

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OUR KINEMA KORRESPONDENT KOMMUNIKATES -

A Jolly week at your Bioscope. At the Odeon, Valdez is coming is coming and I'm not going. But at the Academy, the Tales of Beatrix Potter grooves into its second week (of four). A really nice flick and if you get stoned and/or take some kids it should be really nice. Song of Norway at the Regent for masochists. Love Story/Wuthering Depths/Love Story at the ABC & Ryan's Daughter at the Astoria. The Classic has the interminable Butch Graduate and the Easy Cowboy (Perm any one from four). The Fox then Women in Love (+What's new Pussycat) the week after at the Film theatre, with NEW increased prices (10p up). What happened to the BFT? Why are all the films shown recently just re-runs of two or three year old films? Why no more experimental flicks or foreign films, to say nowt of the amazing 30s and 40s movies? Only bright spot is the first Brighton showing of "Deep End", but you'll have to wait till July 18th for that.

Incidentally one little-publicised strike recently was that of Warner, Paramount, and Universal to supply their movies to the ABC and Rank chains unless they got a bigger slice of the door money. That's why Woodstock and Catch-22 went to the Classic. Now it's over, for ABC were worried about all the bread they might lose over Love Story.

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All the Brewer Street Kittens have gone, but don't worry three or four more should be around soon...Room for chick into communal activities is still available at 33 Campbell Road (Call 7-9 p.m.) ...Sorry we spelt Teddy Bear Lib Chris's surname wrongly - it's spelt with a K thus Neathk...and what a snide article by Bill Lawless in this week's Advertiser...but at least it shows how little sense of humour the matron and the teddybear manufacturer have...Reports on Worthing and Glastonbury held over till next week...but it seems that at Worthing the authorities bugged it up and then blamed the organisers...by contrast Glastonbury was amazing, with Floyd, Traffic, and Family, loads of free food, shit and acid...two hotdog sellers were allowed onto the site on condition that they dropped acid, and they did, in spite of never having even smoked before...but back to the mundane, Brighton Council again resisted attempts to make local schools go Comprehensive...only argument against change was that there had been too many upheavals already...only the chairman of the Education Committee spoke against, then all the Tories voted against en bloc ...roll on democracy...Where O where is Mary?

OPEN SECT, 7 Victoria Road, 27878. Vegetarian Restaurant 1-10 p.m., Claimant's Union, Bit by Bit, 24 hour help line.
INFINITY FOODS, 54 Church Street (above Queen's Road). Macro Grocers, books, incense, & a nice sign above the window.
WRAGGLE TAGGLE, 27 George Street, 682544. Will sell what you make, and have many interesting things in wood, suede and leather.
UNICORN, 50 Gloucester Road, 682307. 10-10, Sundays 12-6. Everything you wanted to know about books but were always afraid to ask.
N.C.C.L., 37 Park Crescent, 65706. Legal Advice. Join at Unicorn.
Don't forget the Bail Survey - Briefing at Park Crescent Sunday 27th.
BLACK FLAME, Nick Heath, 3/26 Clifton Road. New Issue out soon.
FREE STREETS CAMPAIGN, 81 Hannover Terrace, 681133.
And more addresses soon...maybe of the thing you're doing?

DON'T FORGET INDEPENDENCE DAY CARNIVAL HYDE PARK SUNDAY 4TH JULY 12 P.M.

ONLY YOU CAN BE THERE SO GET IT TOGETHER NOW BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

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Congratulations Piet who just got married. What is Brighton's Unemployed total now that the University term has ended? Next week ace bookseller B.B. returns to edit another Attila. Contributions and news to Unicorn. Late News Tony (the tory) Baldry serves warts on Univ Union. With his gushing speech and non-committal promises this lad should go far, for he's likely to drown his opponents in saliva. Just like dear Teddy....

Tom Forrester must have a good writ collection, what with the one from the Technical College Student's Union (who refused a N.U.S. enquiry into their affairs). Local Artist drew this weeks front cover of Ink - his name is an anagram of Lob Bone (3,4).

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