# BETTER DECIDE WHICH SIDE YOU'RE ON!







# **OUR POLICIES**

We in the Connolly Youth Movement believe that we have policies, that can, and will, change the whole face of politics in Ireland today.

### YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

The CYM like the young communist organisations which preceded it, is dedicated to fighting youth unemployment. At present, we are mounting a campaign on this issue througt throughout the province, giving out leaflets, holding public meetings, trying to force Atkins and his government to provide jobs for our young people.

In order to provide more jobs, we demand:

- 1 That the Tory policy of public spending cuts is reversed and that there is a massive injection of money into the social services;
- 2 That a 35-hour week be introduced immediately;
- 3 That a full grant is paid to all 16-19-year-olds in full-time education; and
- 4 That there is an expansion of public ownership (particularly in those industries based on natural resources).

## REPRESSION

We in the CYM believe that as long as there is state repression on the streets on Belfast and throughout Northern Ireland, there is no hope of ending the paramilitary violence, which we condemn. How many of you have been 'P' checked while going through security barriers? Well, the CYM is trying to do something about it, we have organised a series of protests at security

barriers and protested about torture outside Castlereagh Barracks itself.

# no future...

In Northern Ireland today, there is nothing to do, nowhere to go, violence on our streets and mass unemployment amongst our young people. In fact, Northern Ireland is in a total and utter mess and our parents generation have done almost nothing to remedy the situation.

The young people of Northern Ireland have two choices before them:

If you are perfectly happy with the situation, happy with the fact that when you leave school you will probably have to wait for a couple of years before getting a job (if you get one at all), if you enjoy being harassed and 'P' checked by the British army, then DO NOTHING!

### OR

2 If you think things are drastically wrong in our country, then JOIN THE CYM and play your part in the struggle to build a new society.

# THE CYM

The Connolly Youth Movement is Ireland's young communist organisation, Northern Ireland's only non-sectarian, political, youth organisation, with members coming from both sides of the community. The CYM is organised on a national basis, with branches in most of the larger cities and towns throughout Ireland.

# GET ACTIVE - JOIN US!

The CYM are active on many, many more issues. We are opposed to Nuclear Power in Ireland or in Britain and we will be mounting a campaign on this issue in the immediate future. We are also opposed to apartheid and are involved in the Irish Anti-Apartheid Movement and have held numerous meetings and organised pickets on this subject. In fact, wherever injustice or oppression is encountered, the CYM will be there to fight it.

YOU BETTER DECIDE WHICH SIDE YOU'RE ON BECAUSE LEFT IS RIGHT - AND RIGHT IS WRONG!

I would like to join the CYM I would like more information		е СҮМ 🗖	
NAME	la mar Aj	in 1-	
ADDRESS			
	,	Tar I	rT
AGE			

Send to; The Northern Area Secretary, Connolly Youth Movement, P.O Box 85, Belfast BT1 1SR.

Title: Better Decide Which Side You're On!

**Organisation:** Connolly Youth Movement

**Date:** 1978 c.

Downloaded from the Irish Left Archive. Visit www.leftarchive.ie

The Irish Left Archive is provided as a non-commercial historical resource, open to all, and has reproduced this document as an accessible digital reference. Copyright remains with its original authors. If used on other sites, we would appreciate a link back and reference to the Irish Left Archive, in addition to the original creators. For re-publication, commercial, or other uses, please contact the original owners. If documents provided to the Irish Left Archive have been created for or added to other online archives, please inform us so sources can be credited.