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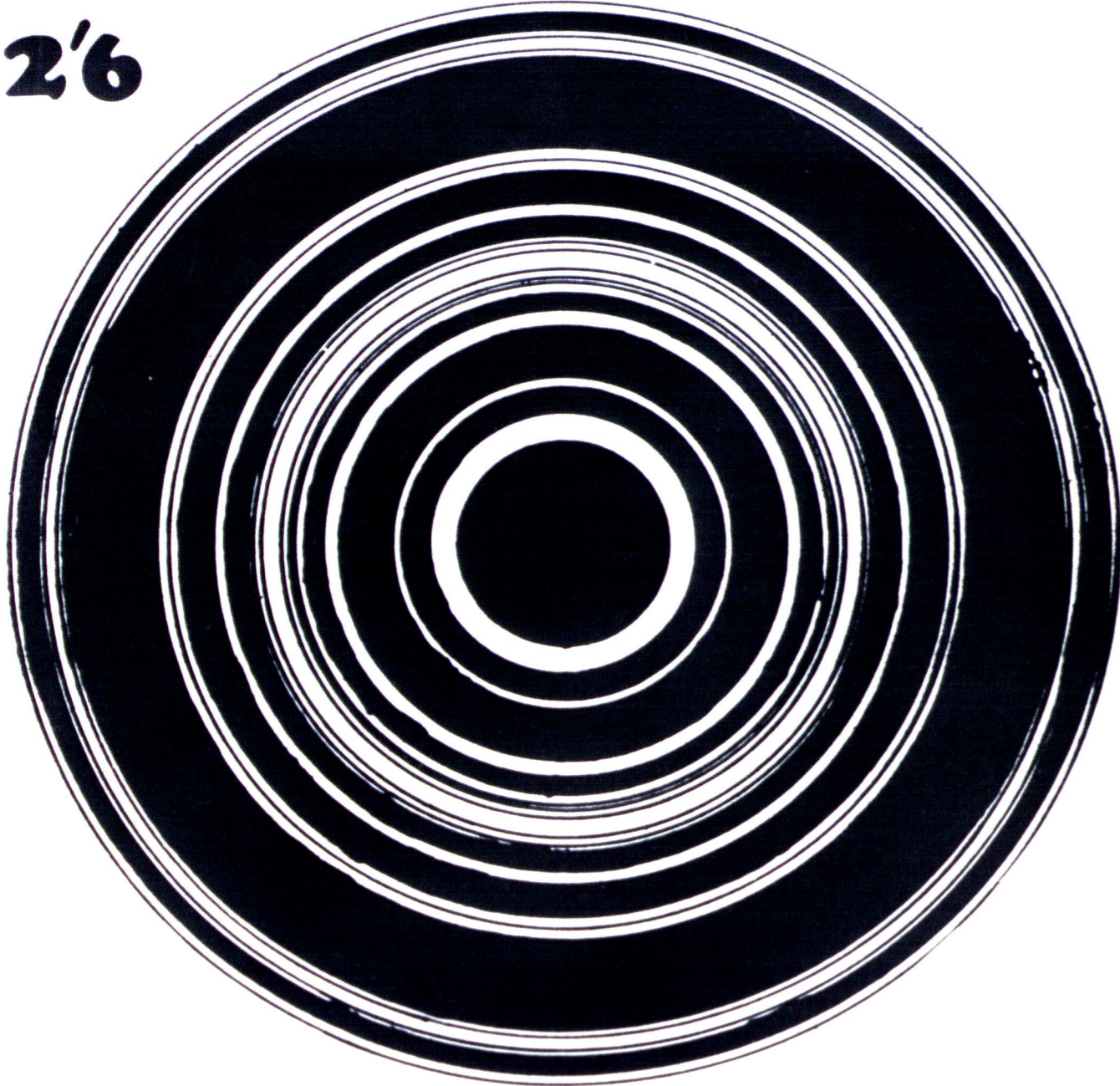
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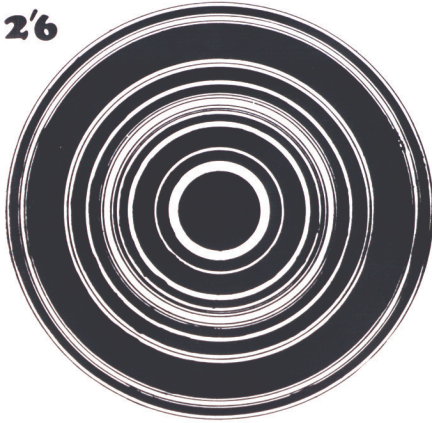
SPECIAL SURPRISE ISSUE!



TRUTH ABOUT THE GREAT



CONSPIRACY!



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Suddenly its Alfs! This bizarre cult of grey, short-haired nine-to-fivers is sweeping the country. They work as Accountants, Executives, Journalists, Bank Managers, Doctors, Lawyers, Salesmen, Dentists, Insurance Clerks, Civil Servants... In fact, most people are Alfs these days. They are becoming a public menace... a threat to world peace... a social embarrassment.

AIMS OF THE EVIL ALF MOVEMENT

1. To make Britain a fit place for their children to live.
2. Full employment.
3. Democracy.
4. To bring back the industrial revolution.

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT ALFS

1. Alfs kill more people in automobiles in this country than any other ethnic group.
2. They are clannish. Observe buses, trains, places of public amusement. And remember, Alfs usually only employ other Alfs and often under conditions so appalling as to prevent them ever becoming non-Alfs.
3. Despite their overall stupidity they are SMART in business.
4. Alfs love to sing and dance. They can easily be pacified by humming a ragtime tune.
5. The captain of the Torrey Canyon was an Alf.
6. Few Alfs admit they are Alfs. That's why they are so difficult to help.
7. They sometimes try and change their names so they can 'pass' - Ringo Starr, Lord Avon, John Le Carre, Engelbert Humperdink, George Weidenfeld.
8. They are trying to marry your daughters.

GAMES ALFS PLAY

1. Coitus Interruptus.
2. Engagements.
3. Drowning.
4. Malnutrition.
5. Praying.



an Alf symbol

GREAT ALF ACHIEVEMENTS



A popular Alf recreation

The crucifixion, War, Custard, The World Cup, Electrification of the London Manchester Railway, The Fox trot, Not buying any of Vincent Van Gogh's paintings during his lifetime, The Process, I.Q. tests, 'Our World' Georgette Heyer, The Kama Sutra, Life Insurance, The Local, The

condom, Post Office Savings accounts, Cathy McGowan, North Sea Gas.

Great Alf Reunions

1. The Queen with the Duchess of Windsor.
2. The Pope with the Archbishop of Canterbury.
3. St. Francis Chichester with his wife.

NOTORIOUS ALFS



A typical Alf Underground publication

The chief accountant at British Railways, Hughie Green, C.P. Snow, Mr. Gannex, Ken Dodd, Chapman Pincher, Barry Humphries, David Wynne Morgan Mr. Marks and Mr. Spencer, your neighbours and thousands of others too obvious to mention. But Alfs weren't all born yesterday - they abound throughout history:

Historic Alf Apologists

Winston Churchill: "The maxim of the British people is 'Business as usual'".
 St. Paul: "Let all things be done decently and in order".
 Robert Kennedy: "I basically agree with both positions".
 Sarah Flower Adams: "Nearer, my God, to thee".
 George I: "I hate all boots and bainters".
 George V: (Last words) "How is the Empire".
 E.M. Forster: "Ulysses is a dogged attempt to cover the universe with mud".
 Mao Tse Tung: "Be united, alert, earnest and lively".
 Grantland Rice: "When the One Great Scorer, comes, To write against your name, He marks - not what you won or lost - But how you played the game".

ARE YOU AN ALF?

- Even Alfs read OZ. Check these questions to make sure you're not an Alf.
1. Despite this country's present economic difficulties and the precarious state of sterling we shall soon be back on our feet. True or false?
 2. London swings. True or false?
 3. The sun will never set on the British Hovercraft. True or false?
 4. God is on our side. True or false?

NOTE: If you attempted any of these questions then you are an Alf



Gay Alfs on a Wimpy trip. Here they are mainlining 'Wimpy-burgers' - curious slabs of gristle and grease pre-cooked, re-heated then consumed between two chunks of unwholesome bun. Colourless, tasteless, odourful and 'deliciously addictive', the Wimpy constitutes a classic square meal. (Alfs maintain that the number of deaths from an overdose is negligible).



The rush-hour shove-in. Conceived originally as a 'happening', the Alf shove-in is now a twice daily ritual. Sombre, colourfully dressed in colourless garb, often clutching newspapers and mysterious brown paper parcels, Alfs jostle and urge playfully onto passing trains. There is an overwhelming smell of deodorant - used by Alfs to disguise the telltale reek of perspiration and unperfumed skin tissues.



Communalism is inherent in Alf philosophy, it sometimes extends to their sex life. A pioneer Alf, Billy Butlin, has opened nine seaside holiday camps which absorb "over one million" Alfs annually. It is here that they HAVE FUN and manifest their basic drive - hedonism.



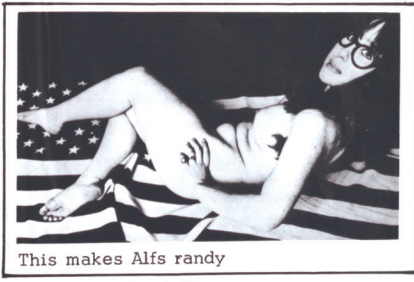
Some Alf do-gooders, called "entrepreneurs" or "business-men" have started shops which stock basic Alf gear and quaint accessories which are given away to needy Alfs at "bargain prices".

THE FINAL SOLUTION

Although you are drastically outnumbered it's still not too late. You can:

- (a) Turn them on - This is only a temporary palliative. An Alf will always turn himself off eventually.
- (b) Export them to Tasmania - This is permanent, inexpensive (£10 per Alf

courtesy of Australian Immigration Dept. - less bulk reductions) and humane. Alfs love Tasmania - they are the only inhabitants.



This makes Alfs randy

an Alf Happening

As Cleopatra, Sarah Bernhardt stabbed the slave who bore to her the tidings of Mark Antony's defeat at Actium; she stormed, raved, wrecked some of the scenery in her frenzy and finally, as the curtain fell, dropped in a shuddering convulsive heap.
 As the applause died, a middle-aged British matron was heard to say to her neighbour:
 'How different, how very different from the home life of our own dear queen.'

AN ALF REFUTATION

FORWARDE

AS for 'SOVEREIGNTY', that is a charge usually WHAT? TRAKETH THE AWALF? Yet my accusers have bested me on with this crime when I heard no ill intent towards them SO if you lift to look on the whole course of my argument I shall ITEM by ITEM clear myself of each part - so comprising a REFUTATION and CONCLUSION of the all which hath been objected to me for a sinne.

REFUTATION, ITEM - That I visiteth not places of marriage and other divers manner of MEETING HOUSES. YET once did I visit and therein make much use of the facilities of a TURKISH BATH in Paddington. Is such a place so marvellous with its sulphurous vapours? (And if 't be not extra-ordinary then sundry suggestions put in my way by another of the wret' had not prompted my hasty departure.)

ITEM - That I am want to wear a BOWLER HAT. YET while much dispute may be moved as to whether my own HAT or the LONG HAIR, of my accusers, be the better protection from the elements; there can only but be little doubt as to which one be the better to wear on the greeting of a lady.

ITEM - That I am in the right of the laws enacted. YET verily not my lawful wife as well for COPULATION and the MENDING of hose as the male of him who acqweth me? (AND in the record of those wifely duties I quote I warrant the Jar better.)

ITEM - That I hath my own AVTOMOBILE. YET such a 'car' is of value for movement and could be of much use even to my dawlers for the carrying of their SAXO-FONES. (Such an item as this is surely incited by meaty-mouthed jealousy; for mine own 'car' not only hath two mighty 'jaws' each 'to one side BUT to the back counting both sides in conjunction 'no less than eight red lanterns which gloune fayre beautiful in the night!)

ITEM - That I eat not out in places of cullinary variety and speculate. YET the eating house to which on the third Saturday of each several month I accomanie myse elderly AUNT, in the manner of all similar places called LYONS, hath variatye borne to extremes in the choise available to menu of spezialized and quearie religious somnachs between BEEF and PORK sausages.

ITEM The LAST. That I thinketh not YET myse awymers to the above will be refusal enough to this last item.

CONCLUSION. What then is this 'SOVEREIGNTY' I say but a FIG in the warped fantasies of him who hath not dauntie contentment - in short which I see daplie in the face of them that refuse to purchase the ENCYCLOPEDIA that I would sette them.

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