

# THE STAR

## Thanks ...

**OUR SONS** will be safer in the Forces from now on.

The bully boys and their cruel initiation ceremonies have been given the boot by the Armed Forces minister, Mr. Roger Freeman.

Yesterday, under the direction of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, he introduced a new code which will protect recruits from the maniacal perversity of some fellow soldiers, airmen and seamen.

*And it's all thanks to you, the members of the public who brought pressure to bear on Parliament.*

And, of course, The Star, which has campaigned to give a better life to our servicemen.

**In future, the dangers they face will be primarily from the enemy ... NOT from the men with whom they have to stand side by side to protect the realm.**

## ... thanks again

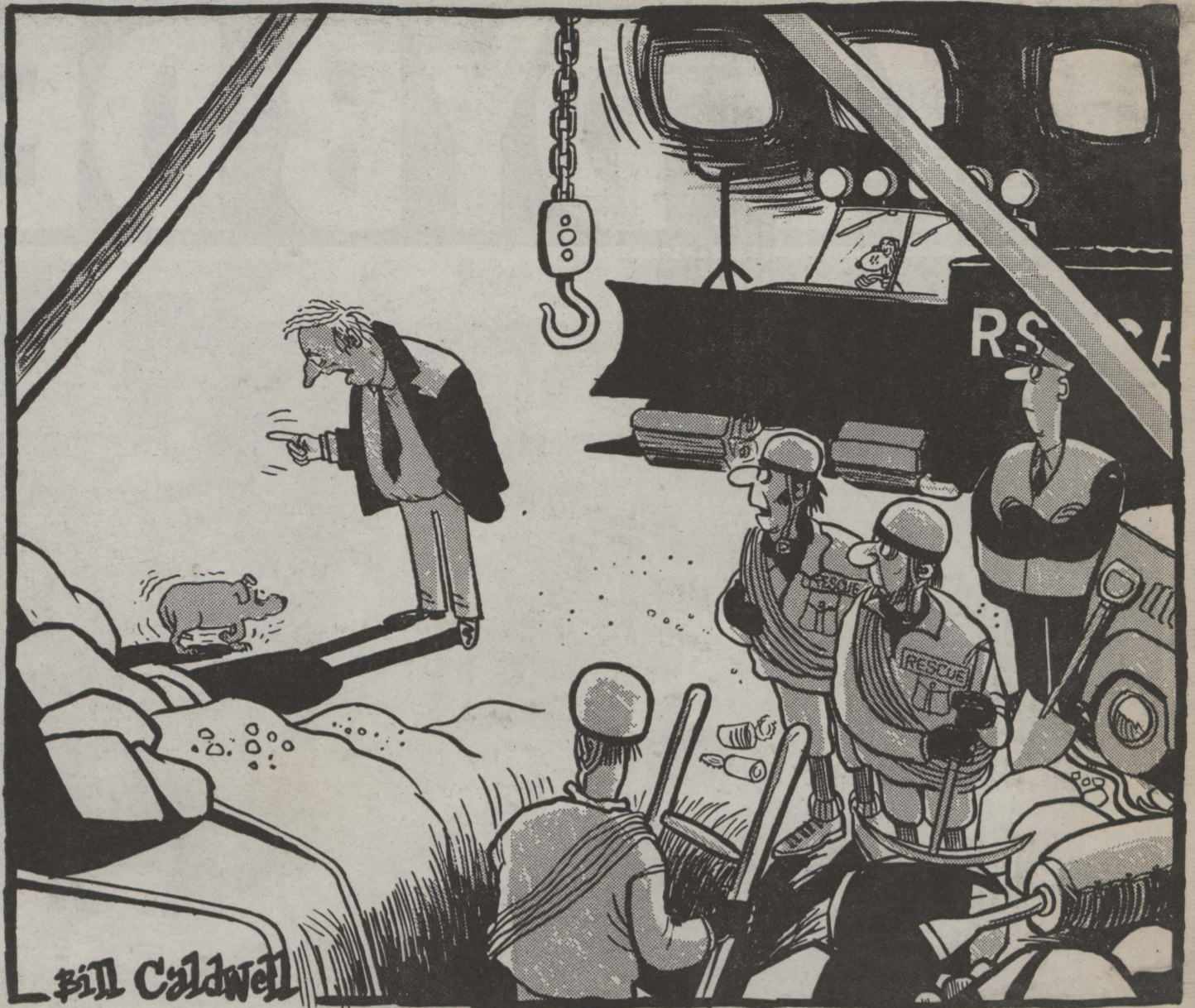
A BORDER TERRIER named Rocky owes his life to a ham sandwich, which lured him to safety after he had been trapped underground for nine days.

And the astounding persistence of miner Martin Townsend.

Just about the whole world knew Rocky had no chance of survival ... except Martin ... who just wouldn't give up.

To Martin, on behalf of Rocky, The Star says:

**THANKS.**



"Arthur Scargill's giving it a hard time for spending more than five days underground"

## £20,000 fine for newsman

FINANCIAL journalist Jeremy Warner was fined £20,000 yesterday after refusing to disclose his sources for takeover-bid stories to Government inspectors investigating insider-dealing.

But a High Court judge refused to jail the Independent newspaper business correspondent because it was "likely to lead to the creation of a martyr."

### Disturbed

Mr Warner's refusal to reveal his sources, amounted to a "perfectly deliberate, blatant contempt," said Vice Chancellor Sir Nicholas Browne Wilkinson.

The 32-year-old journalist told the judge he was "deeply sorry and very disturbed" that he had been brought into conflict with the court.

Afterwards he said that if he was put in the same situation again, he would still not reveal his sources.

Mr Warner's newspaper will pay his fine and the £100,000-plus costs.

## Wife's stool death leap

HOUSEWIFE Pauline Glendenning went shopping for a kitchen stool—and then used it to jump to her death from the eighth floor of a multi-storey car park.

Mrs. Glendenning, 45, of Underwood Road, Reading, Berks, had been suffering severe pain after a back operation, according to police.

# UFOs: TELL US THE TRUTH

By ROB MCGIBBON

**A UFO expert yesterday urged the Government to admit that aliens exist.**

Dr. Richard Lawrence accused the Ministry of Defence of covering up thousands of sightings for fear of causing panic.

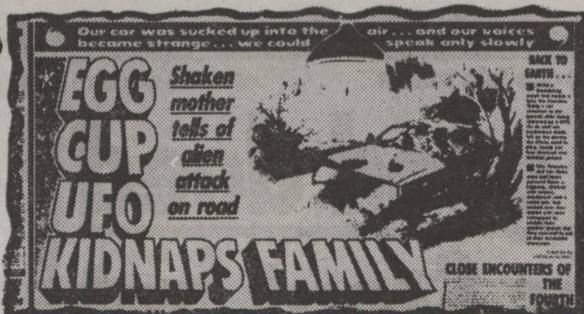
And he claimed droves of aliens would visit Earth when all the facts are released and accepted.

### Destroyed

"The Government does not want to admit there is a superior power of intelligence," said Dr. Lawrence, European head of the Aetherius Society, a worldwide body devoted to proving extra-terrestrial beings exist.

"It has all the evidence needed to prove aliens exist but won't let the public have it."

"There is nothing to fear. There certainly are other forms of life much more



UFOs galore ... Star headlines on alien encounters.

advanced than us. They do not kill people — it they wanted us dead they could do it in seconds.

"They want to help us to progress and improve the world for a better life."

The MoD has publicly acknowledged that unidentified flying objects exist, and has catalogued them.

Mysteriously, files of sightings in the 1950s were never released under the

30-year Information Protection Act because the MoD had destroyed them to make room for other documents, said Dr. Lawrence.

He added: "The belief in superior beings threatens the whole Establishment."

That's why the Government wants everything hushed up.

"UFO sightings have been going on for centuries. Now the believers are in the majority."

Since Dr. Lawrence opened a hotline last April,

own investigations, I am convinced there was a landing."

Mark Birdsall, a researcher with the leading UFO investigation journal, Quest, said: "Something is happening. We have never received so many reports of sightings in a confined area in such a short space of time."

"They have come from the public, police, RAF officers and astrologers. We have even had reports of military aircraft chasing the UFOs."

## ANOTHER 72 SIGHTINGS

By IAN TRUEMAN

the British UFO Research Association, received several calls about the sighting, and when he visited the spot he found newly-scorched trees and grass.

### Journal

Eric, 34, a psychiatric nurse, from Crewe, said yesterday: "After listening to the people who claim to have seen the UFO and making my



Yuri ... a record

## Spaceman Yuri now 'a wreck'

By MARK CHRISTY

RUSSIA'S record-breaking cosmonaut Yuri Romanenko is believed to have been turned into a human wreck by spending 326 days in space.

His ordeal has left him mentally unbalanced and seriously physically ill, it is claimed.

And the effect on Romanenko looks likely to end any hopes of sending a man to Mars, a journey of three years.

The Russians claimed the cosmonaut was in good condition when he returned to Earth last month.

### Weak

But an Italian space scientist says he has lost a quarter of his blood, his bones have lost vital calcium, his muscles and heart are weak, and he shows signs of mental instability.

Professor Aristide Scano explained: "The heart beats slower in space because the blood weighs almost nothing, so it loses its volume."

He added that weightlessness is known to seriously affect the bones.

450 "genuine" sightings have been logged. Calls have come from as far away as Majorca, Italy and Australia.

The two most common sightings are of "cigar shaped" objects, believed to be mother ships, and flying saucer shapes, believed to be scout craft.

### Interest

The most popular areas for sightings in Britain are in the West Country and South Wales.

The MoD refused to comment officially on Dr. Lawrence's allegations of a cover-up.

A spokesman said: "Our sole interest in UFO reports is to establish whether they reveal anything of defence interest."

"Reports are passed to operational staff who examine them as part of their normal duties."

The spokesman could not confirm records had been destroyed in the 1960s.