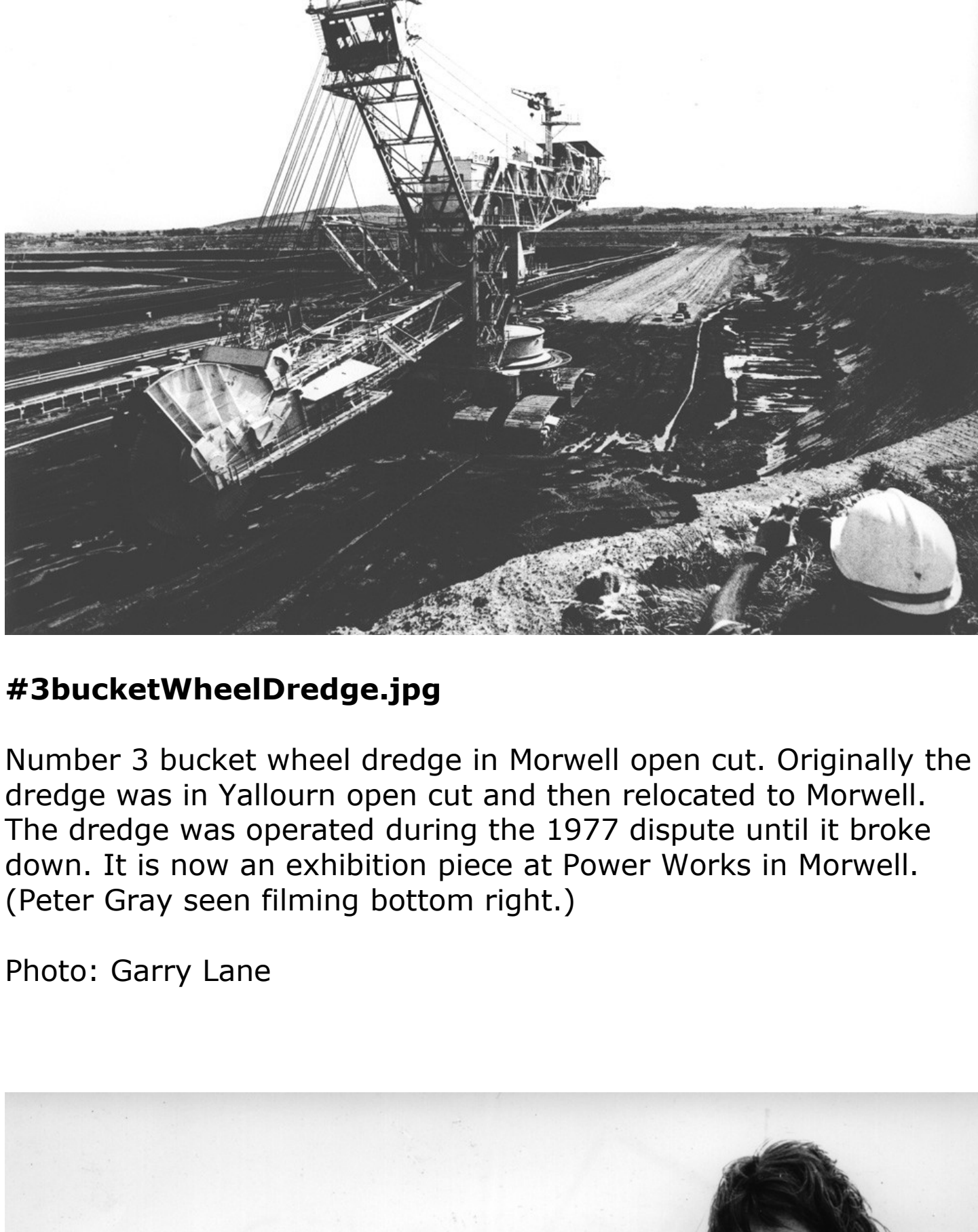


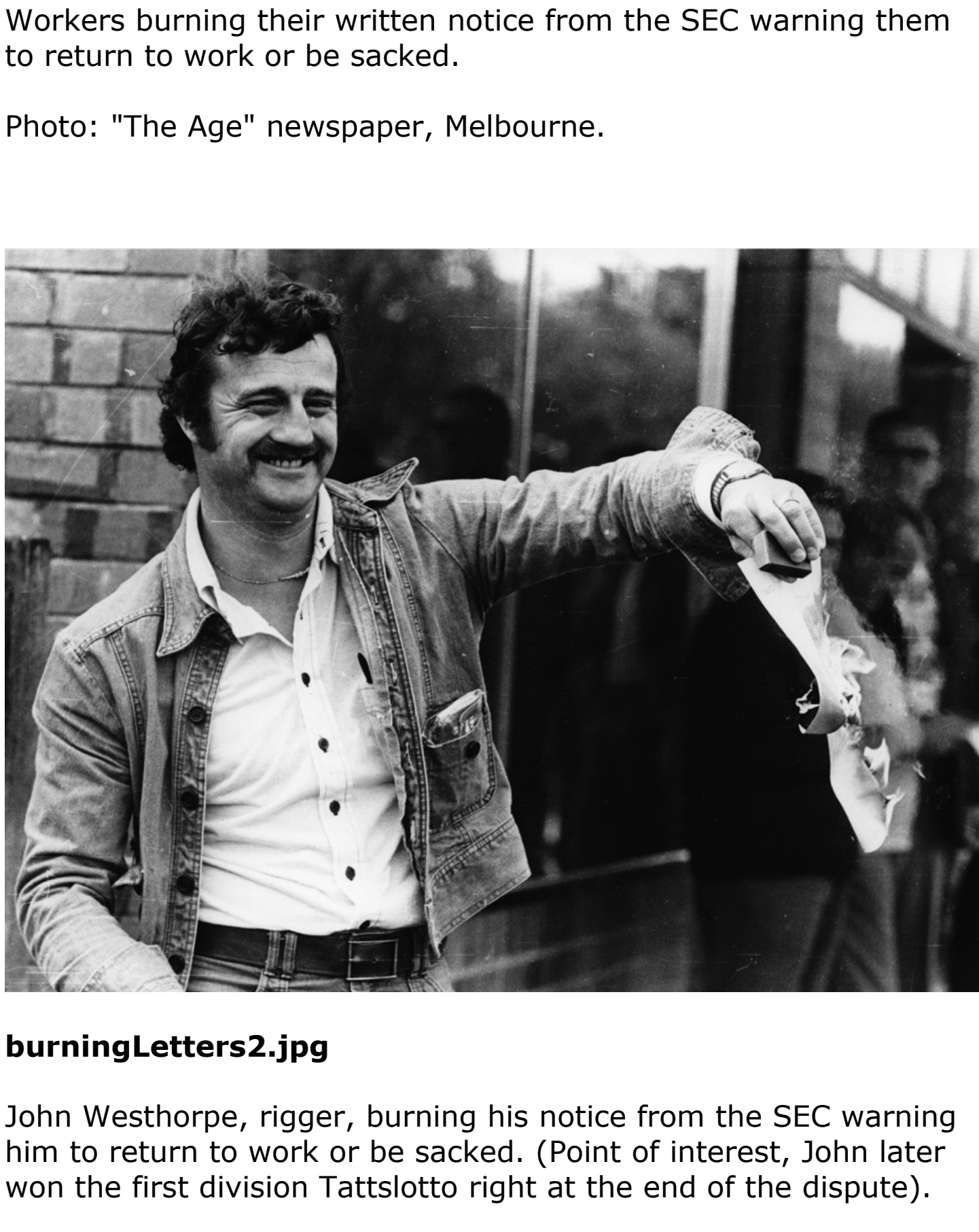
1977 Latrobe Valley SEC Worker's Strike



#3bucketWheelDredge.jpg

Number 3 bucket wheel dredge in Morwell open cut. Originally the dredge was in Yallourn open cut and then relocated to Morwell. The dredge was operated during the 1977 dispute until it broke down. It is now an exhibition piece at Power Works in Morwell. (Peter Gray seen filming bottom right.)

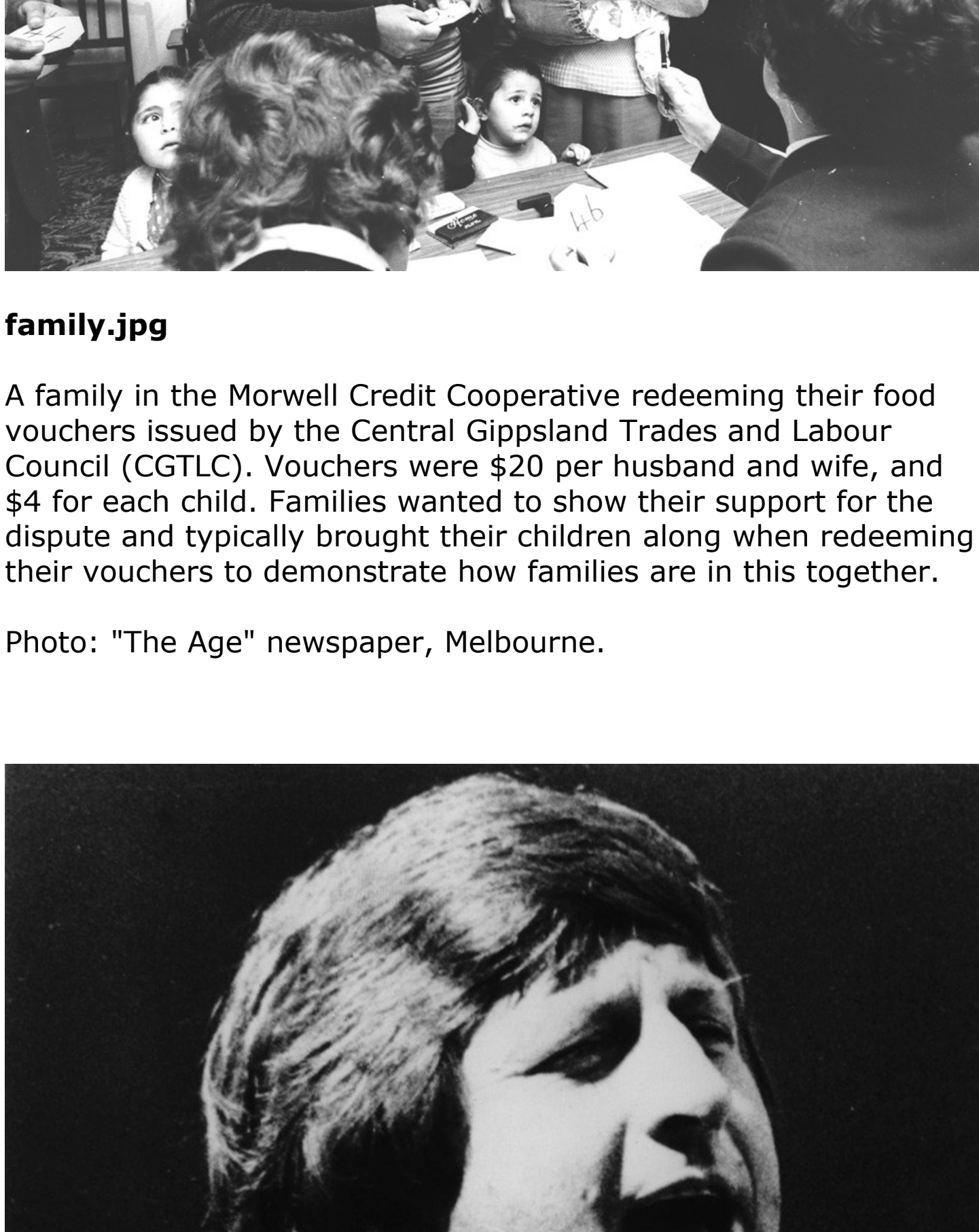
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burningLetters1.jpg

Workers burning their written notice from the SEC warning them to return to work or be sacked.

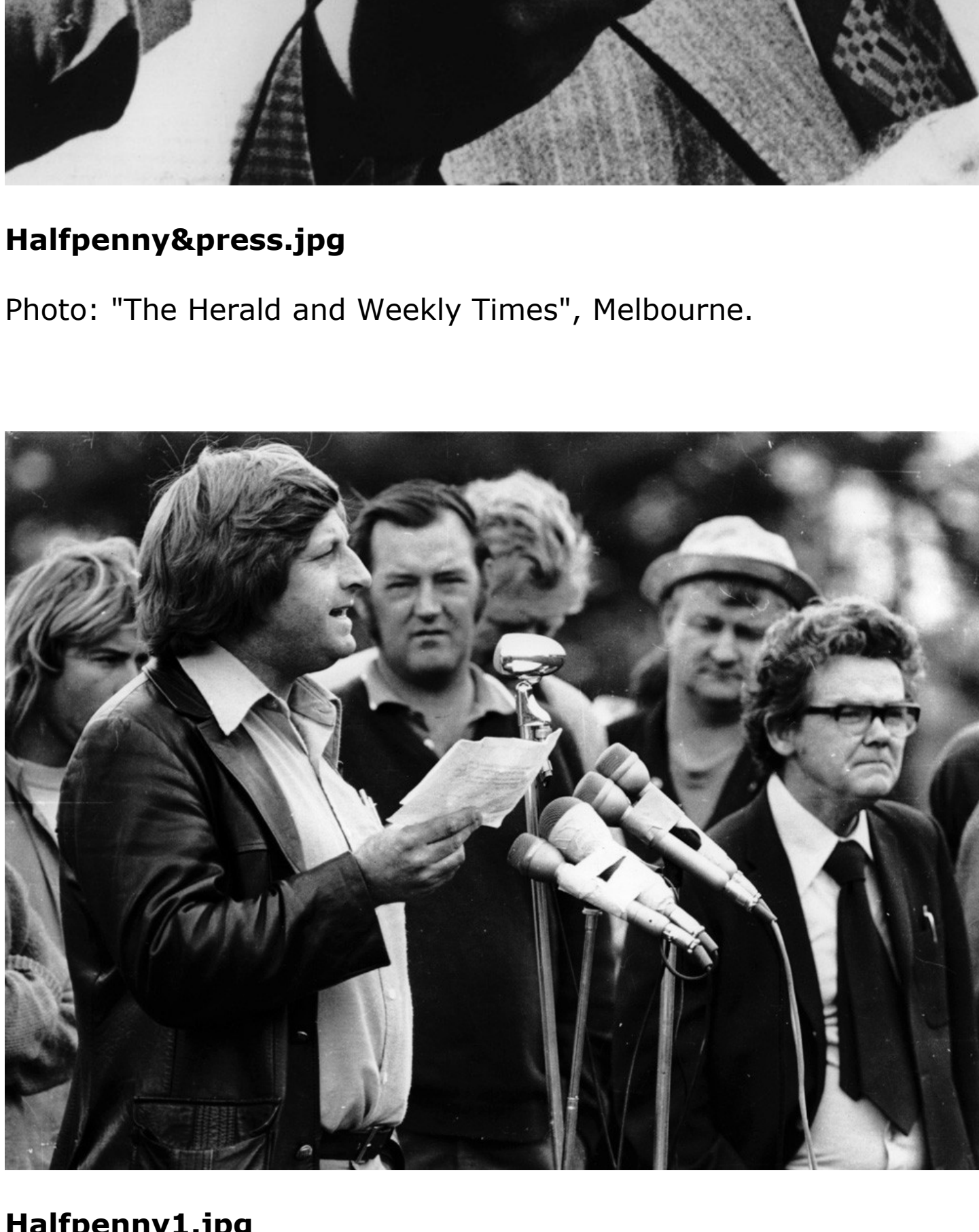
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burningLetters2.jpg

John Westhorpe, rigger, burning his notice from the SEC warning him to return to work or be sacked. (Point of interest, John later won the first division Tattslotto right at the end of the dispute).

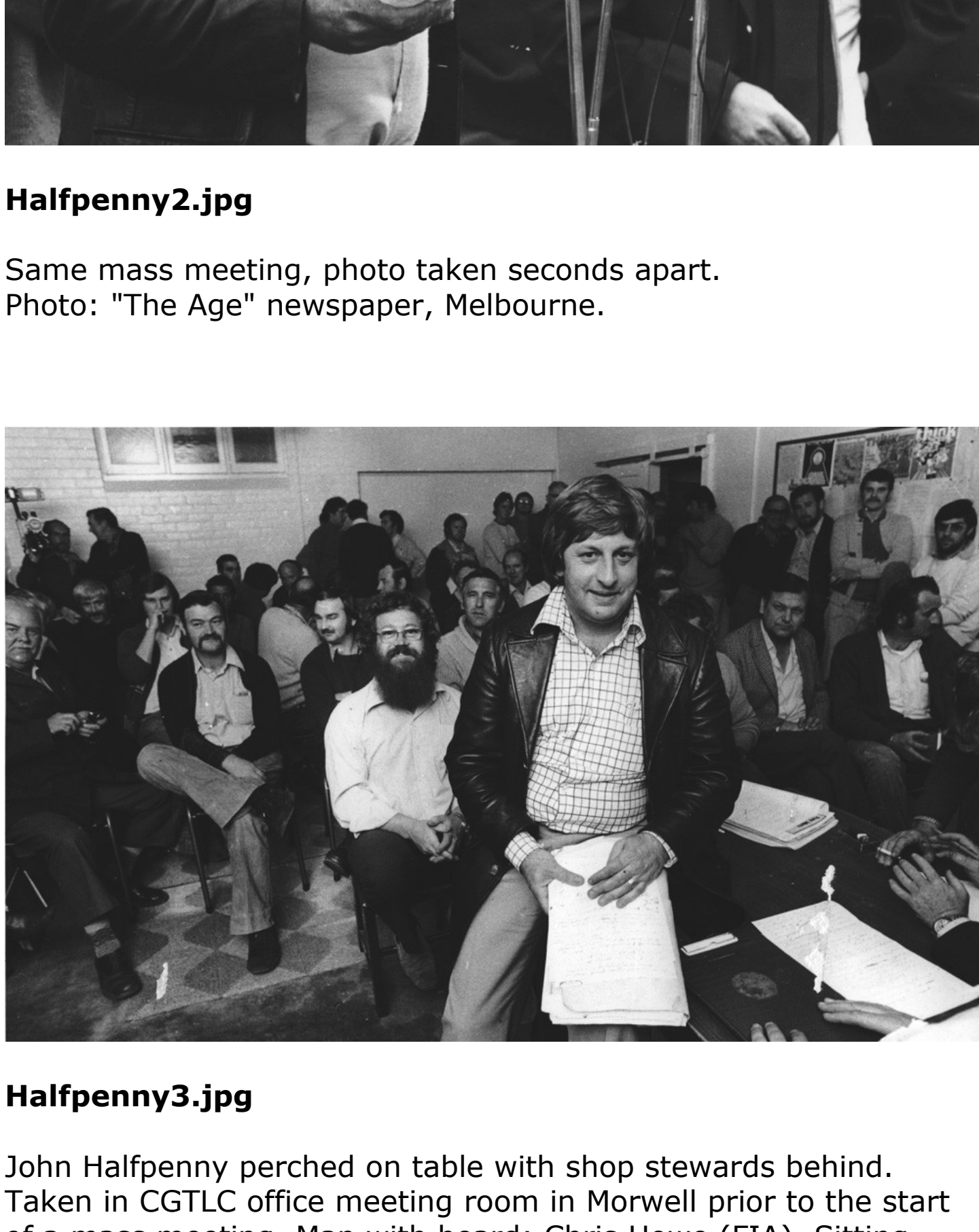
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family.jpg

A family in the Morwell Credit Cooperative redeeming their food vouchers issued by the Central Gippsland Trades and Labour Council (CGTLC). Vouchers were \$20 per husband and wife, and \$4 for each child. Families wanted to show their support for the dispute and typically brought their children along when redeeming their vouchers to demonstrate how families are in this together.

Photo: "The Age" newspaper, Melbourne.



Halfpenny&press.jpg

Photo: "The Herald and Weekly Times", Melbourne.



Halfpenny1.jpg

Mass meeting. John Halfpenny, AMWU Victorian Secretary surrounded by shop stewards. Rear right wearing hat, Max Strong (FIA rigger), and in front of him Sam Armstrong (Secretary, Combined Shop Stewards Committee).

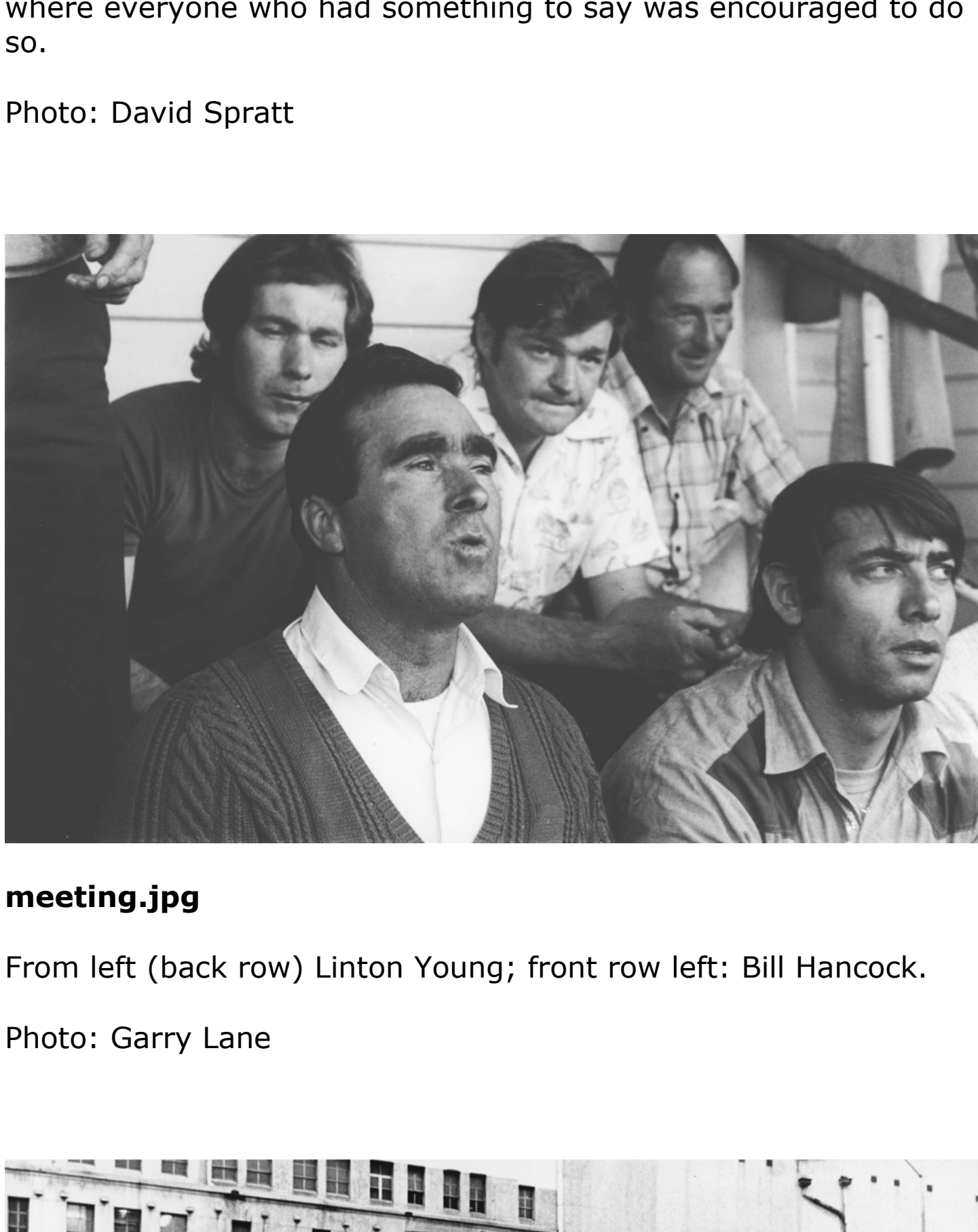
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Halfpenny2.jpg

Same mass meeting, photo taken seconds apart.

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HalfpennyProfile.jpg

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Hawke&Halfpenny.jpg

Bob Hawke and John Halfpenny. Seated at table from left is Les Carey (ASE organiser responsible for the SEC), Bob Hawke (ACTU Secretary), unknown, John Halfpenny, unknown, Bill Mountford (AMWU research officer). Seated behind are state and national union officials.

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heckleHalfpenny.jpg

Rank and file workers heckle John Halfpenny at Morwell on 13th October 1977. Mass meetings were noisy, democratic events where everyone who had something to say was encouraged to do so.

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meeting.jpg

From left (back row) Linton Young; front row left: Bill Hancock.

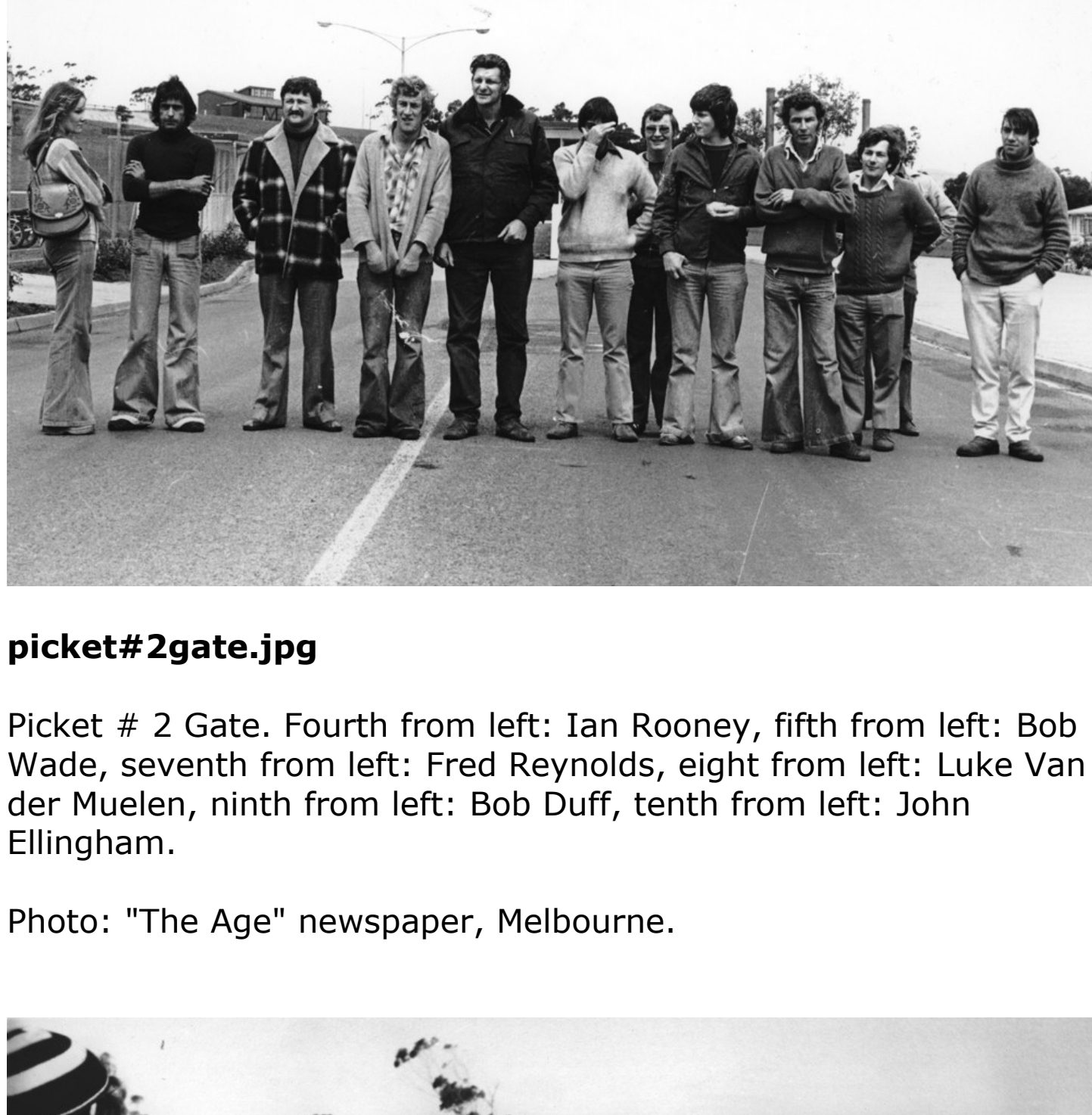
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Melbourne_City_Demo.jpg

Melbourne City Square rally on 12th October 1977.

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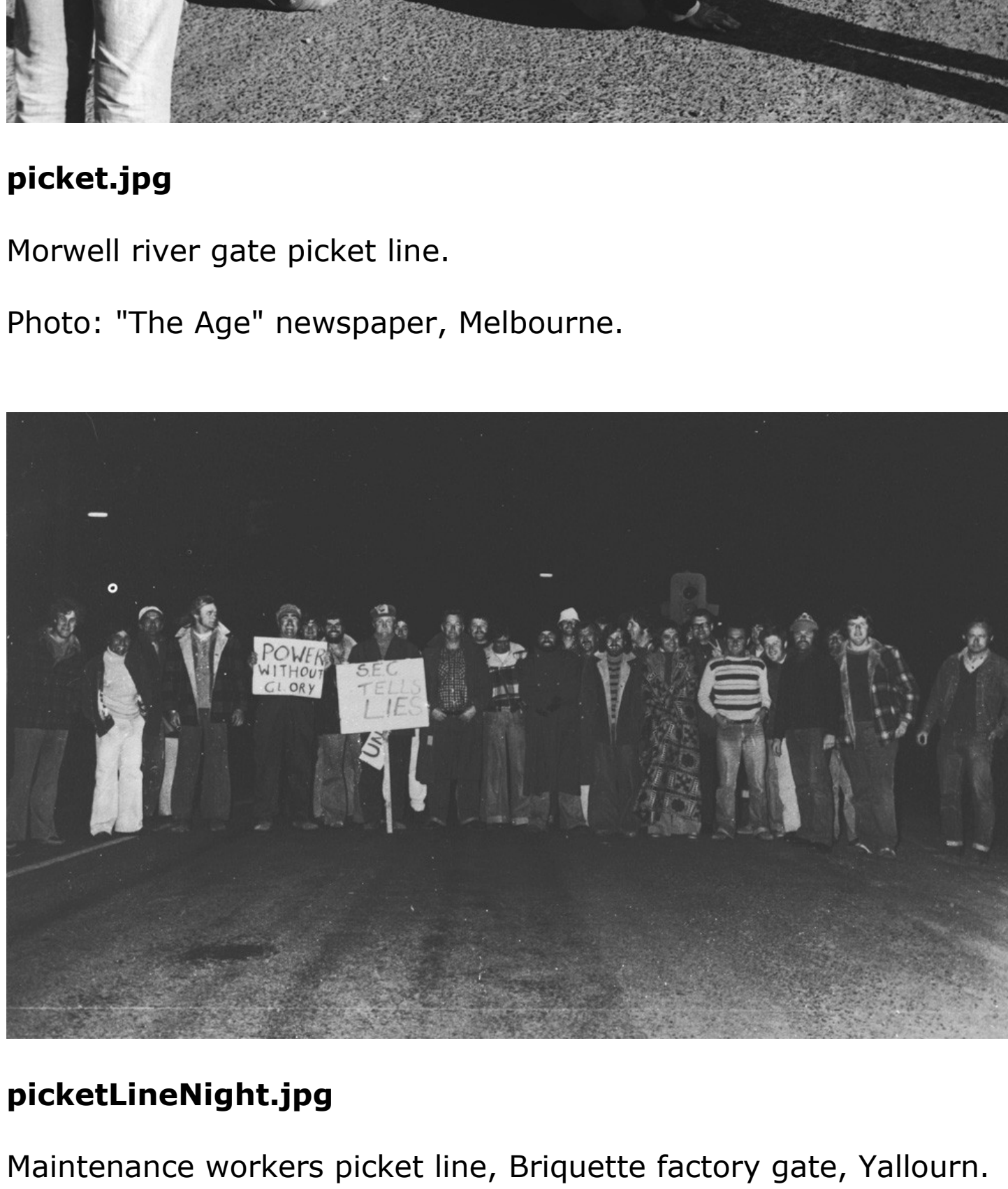
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picket#2gate.jpg

Picket # 2 Gate. Fourth from left: Ian Rooney, fifth from left: Bob Wade, seventh from left: Fred Reynolds, eight from left: Luke Van der Muelen, ninth from left: Bob Duff, tenth from left: John Ellingham.

Photo: "The Age" newspaper, Melbourne.



picket.jpg

Morwell river gate picket line.

Photo: "The Age" newspaper, Melbourne.



picketLineNight.jpg

Maintenance workers picket line, Briquette factory gate, Yallourn. Picketers were mainly from Coal Production Maintenance workshops, Yallourn. Max Strong ("SEC tells lies" sign); Bill Hancock ("Power without glory" sign); Buck Buchanan in striped jumper sixth from right; Ian Rooney front row on end left.

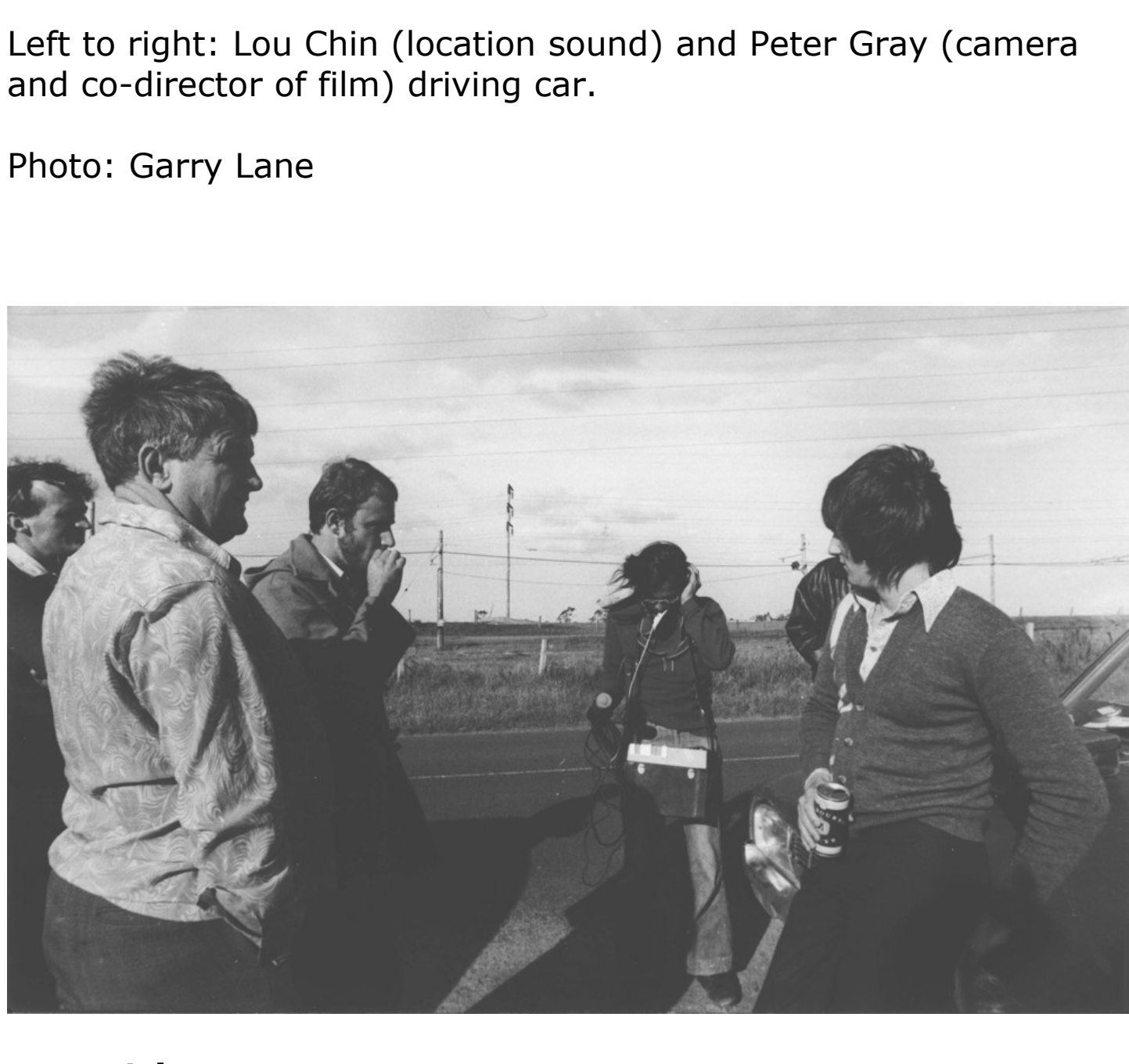
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SamArmstrong.jpg

Sammy Armstrong taken outside then AMWU Morwell office (Kroezner House), Hazelwood Road, Morwell.

Photo: "The Herald and Weekly Times", Melbourne.



SECmen@arbitrationCommission.jpg

SEC men discuss situation at the arbitration commission on 20th October 1977. Left: Ian Douglas QC; centre rear: Dr. Chris Jessup; right: Frank Sims.

Photo: "The Age" newspaper, Melbourne.



stationOutput.jpg

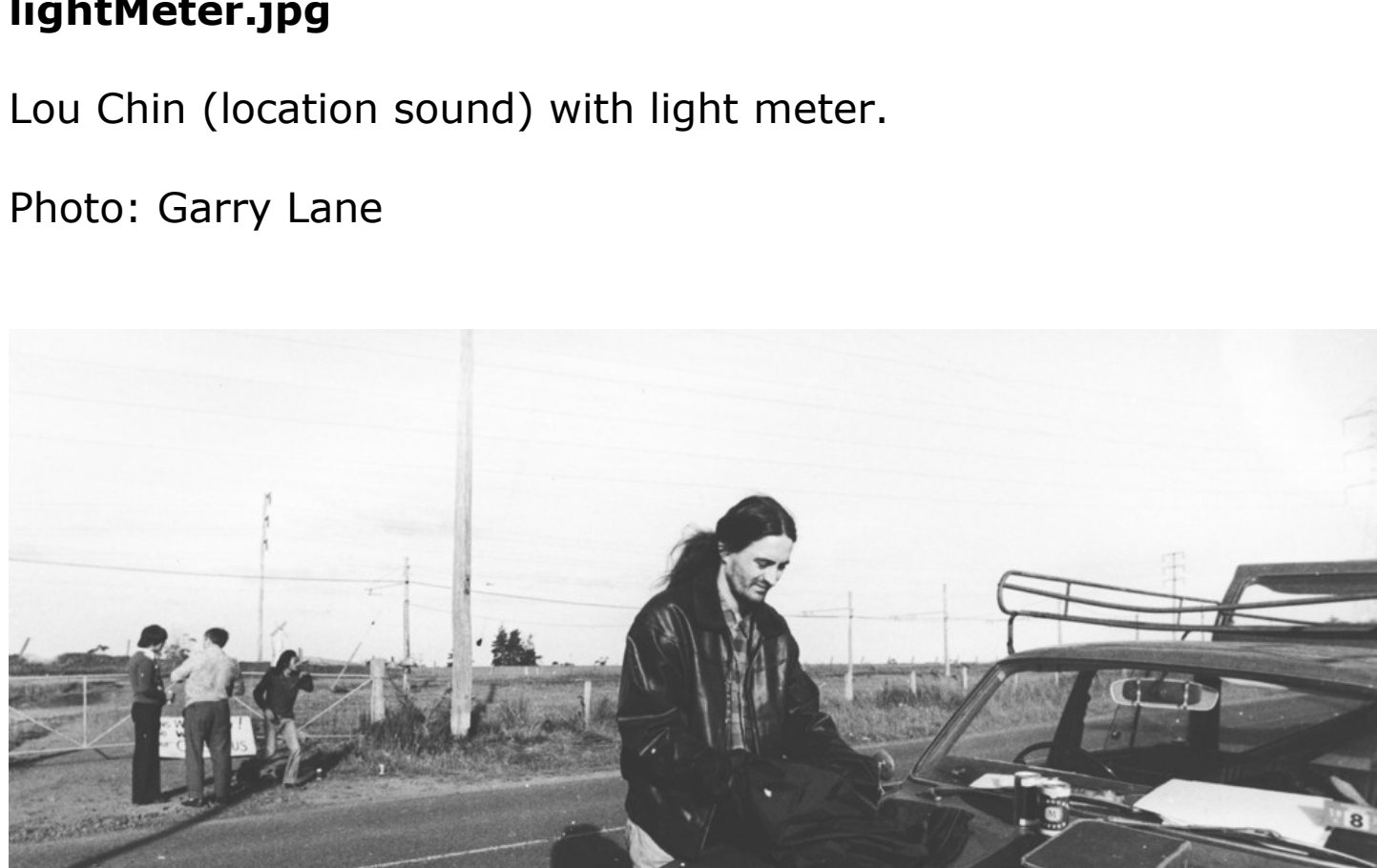
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vote.jpg

Vote at mass meeting at Morwell football ground.

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Wragg.jpg

George Wragg holding sign "Victory to the Power Strike". Worker representatives were invited to rallies, protests and meetings all over Australia. Location is possibly Melbourne city square.

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Documentary film crew working on location in Latrobe Valley in October 1977.



driving.jpg

Left to right: Lou Chin (location sound) and Peter Gray (camera and co-director of film) driving car.

Photo: Garry Lane

group1.jpg

Left to right: Max Strong (rigger interviewed in film); Garry Lane (co-director of film); Lou Chin (location sound), and Luke van der Meulen (boilermaker interviewed in film). Photo: Peter Gray

group2.jpg

Second from left: Lou Chin (location sound) and Peter Gray (camera & co-director). In the background is Luke van der Meulen (boilermaker interviewed in the film). Photo: Garry Lane.

lightMeter.jpg

Lou Chin (location sound) with light meter.

Photo: Garry Lane

loadFilm.jpg

Peter Gray loading film in a "black bag" (like a portable darkroom) on the bonnet of the car. In the background is Luke van der Meulen and Max Strong (both interviewed in the film). Also Lou Chin (location sound recordist).

Photo: Garry Lane

recordSound.jpg

Lou Chin (location sound) sitting in the grass recording what is called a "voice over" (audio only) of Max Strong being interviewed in the car. The car is being used as a makeshift "studio" to improve the quality of the sound (perhaps to reduce wind noise or extraneous background sounds). Garry Lane (co-director) is interviewing Max Strong asking questions from the back seat.

Photo: Peter Gray