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Welcome to **Nerve** 2014 Anti-War Calendar

Our aim is to counter the glorification and justification of war that will be pushed by government and the media in 2014 to mark 100 years since the slaughter of 1914-18.

War isn't just about the battles that kill people. It's about a profiteering arms industry, including a hugely expensive and dangerous nuclear regime. It's about atrocities committed in the name of 'freedom'. It's about suppressing liberties with a state of emergency, banning strikes and imposing censorship.

There has been no 'war to end all wars': World War became Cold War became the War on Terror that continues today. It is (as Clausewitz said) the continuation of politics by other means.

In these pages we are proud to document the efforts of people on Merseyside to stand up against the war machine. Some refused to fight and went to jail. Others would not stand for nuclear weapons on their doorsteps. Yet others campaigned for a better deal for those fleeing war and claiming asylum. There are many other heroes and heroines besides the ones we mention.

Thanks to everyone who submitted photographs and art. We received some stunning anti-war images, and what you see on the following pages is only a tiny part of this. Our criteria for selection include relevance to Merseyside, the effect produced on the printed page, and variety of image; it in no way reflects an order of merit.

In issue 24 of **Nerve** we will be looking at living spaces: homes, streets, ecosystems, energy etc. Articles welcome. The deadline for copy is the end of February 2014.

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New or unknown writers, journalists, artists and photographers often have difficulty getting feedback or finding an audience for their work. **Nerve** wants to promote such creativity through our grassroots organisation. We want to encourage and help with the development of confidence and skills. If your work doesn't appear in the magazine straight away, there's a place for it online. Constructive feedback will always be given.

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"Gaza, Gaza, don't you cry, we will never let you die" - demonstration against Israel's attack, January 2009
(Image: John Usher)

JANUARY 2014

Also in this month... **1912** The Syndicalist publishes Fred Bower's *'Don't Shoot'* letter, urging soldiers not to fire on striking workers **1916** Liverpool and Birkenhead Vigilance Committee formed to defend workers' rights against wartime exploitation **1986** 21 arrests at 'Snowball' fence-cutting at Capenhurst and Burtonwood *(18/19th)*

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 HALT! ATTENTION!! Open Letter to British Soldiers. This letter to British soldiers, reprinted from *Sheldrake's Military Gazette* (Aldershot), of March 1st, 1912, is the subject of the charge against Crowsley, Guy Bowman, the Buck brothers, and Tom Mann. Read and judge for yourself. Let the voice of the People be heard. **1911** Fred Bower's open letter: Don't shoot strikers		**1** WORLD PEACE DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	**2** **1916** Liverpool branch of NUR *'reaffirms its unalterable opposition to conscription'*	**3** **2009** 2,000 march to protest against Israeli attack on Gaza	**4**	**5**
6	**7**	**8** **1988** 10 women climb into Capenhurst nuclear plant and display banners	**9**	**10** **1917** Liverpool Peace Society donates to local No Conscription Fellowship branch	**11**	**12** **1958** 100 attend first public meeting of M'side Hydrogen Bomb Protest Committee
13	**14**	**15**	**16** **1988** 'No cutting' demonstration at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**17** **2009** 3,000 march to protest against Israeli invasion of Gaza	**18** **2003** 2,500 march through city in protest at plans to invade Iraq	**19**
20 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY (USA)	**21**	**22**	**23** **1981** Merseyside Action for Peace public meeting in Central Hall	**24** **1857** Public meeting of Liverpool Peace Society	**25** **1986** Formation of 'Peacemakers' as CND's marching band	**26**
27 HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY **1941** 87 Indian sailors refuse to sail unless their wages are increased	**28** **2008** Demonstration against Wirral Council pension fund investment in arms trade	**29** **1996** Ploughshares activists damage Hawk fighters destined for Indonesian regime	**30**	**31**	 **1996** Hawk women walk free *(29th)*	



The Peacemakers were formed as Merseyside CND's marching band in January 1986
(Image: Isla Cameron)

FEBRUARY 2014

Also in this month... **1986** 14 Merseyside activists attend 'Orange Action' at Faslane base *(15th)* **1958** Sydney Silverman attends founding meeting of national CND *(17th)* **1984** Women blockade Capenhurst nuclear plant *(21st)* **1917** Conscientious objectors sent from Wakefield prison to work at Bibbys oil cake mills in Liverpool

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 **From 1985** Get off the fence: Snowball actions at Burtonwood and Capenhurst					1	2 **1951** Birkenhead, then Liverpool, dockers strike over wages. Leaders charged under wartime 'Order 1305'
3	4	5	6 **1983** Merseyside Action for Peace day conference on the Middle East	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 **1986** Publication of CND booklet 'Merseyside and the Bomb'	15 **2003** 'Peace Train' to join over a million demonstrating against plans to invade Iraq	16
17 **1940** Peace march held by Liverpool branch of Womens Peace Campaign	18	19 **1916** John Harris, minister at Princes Road synagogue, preaches in favour of pacifism	20	21 **1981** CND join demonstration in Glasgow against nuclear weapons	22 **2012** Pax Christi Ash Wednesday service of repentance for Britain's arms trade	23 **1967** Eric Heffer in Parliament denounces Polaris submarines as *'a great waste of money'*
24	25 **1967** National CND march past launch of Polaris sub *Renown* at Cammell Lairds	26	27	28	**2013** Trident banner at Aldermaston 	



Seamen demonstrate (with 'Atlantic Heroes' banner) on Whitechapel against Britain's war in Malaya, 1956
(Image: Liverpool Record Office)

MARCH 2014

Also in this month... **1916** Ernest Everett refused exemption from military service as he will not teach children to honour the King **1986** Liverpool MPs Bob Parry and Eddie Loyden among sponsors of Peace Tax Bill *(26th)* **2011** Andrew Manifold, Sara Ledsom and others refuse to complete 2011 census as forms processed by Lockheed Martin *(27/28th)*

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31 **2006** Over 3,000 demonstrate against visit of US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice	 **2006** Welcome Condoleezza *(31st)* **2003** We all live... *(21st)* 				**1**	**2**
3 **1939** Merseyside Left Theatre anti-war play *Bury the Dead* at David Lewis Theatre	**4** **1987** Ash Wednesday: 80 demonstrators put graffiti on Ministry of Defence building	**5** **1962** Five activists arrested at American consulate protesting at nuclear tests	**6** **1983** CND 'Break the Nuclear Chain' at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**7**	**8** INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY **1961** Sydney Silverman votes against military expansion, loses Labour whip for two years	**9**
10	**11** **1916** John Harris, Princes Road synagogue minister, dismissed for supporting conscientious objectors	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15** **1968** Demo and disruption at Cammell Lairds as Polaris sub *Revenge* is launched	**16** **1962** 50-strong CND demo outside Prime Minister's visit to Adelphi
17	**18**	**19**	**20** **2003** Central Liverpool blocked by demonstrations as Iraq war begins	**21** **2003** *'We all live in a terrorist regime'* inscribed on Yellow Submarine tourist landmark	**22** **1911** Trades Council told of Quaker teacher dismissed for refusing to teach a military drill	**23** **1985** CND's *Day of the Dove* - art and music in St John's Gardens and Empire Theatre
24 **1912** Liverpool and Birkenhead rallies against arrest of Tom Mann for the *'Don't Shoot'* leaflet	**25** **1984** 19 women arrested at mass trespass at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**26** **1983** CND picket major Liverpool roads - *'Lining the Routes to Peace'*	**27** **1981** All-night womens vigil on St George's Plateau	**28** **1981** March from Warrington to USAF base at Burtonwood	**29** **1983** Bebington and Bromborough Peace Group show anti-nuclear film *Critical Mass*	**30** SUMMER TIME BEGINS **1969** John and Yoko hold Bed-In for Peace in Amsterdam Hilton *(25th to 31st)*



Merseyside CND join the annual Easter march at Aldermaston, April 2013
(Image: John Usher)

APRIL 2014

Also in this month... **1878** Liberal Review reports that Liverpool Peace Society is *'combating.. the prevailing warlike tone of a considerable section of public opinion' (28th)*
1983 M'side CND weekend presence at 14-mile chain at Greenham Common, Glasgow and Faslane marches *(1st to 3rd)*

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	**1** **2013** Merseyside CND join protest at Aldermaston	**2** **1981** CND public meeting at Central Hall	**3**	**4** **1987** 39 arrested in 'Snowball' fence-cutting at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**5** **1958** Two Liverpool delegates on first Aldermaston march against nuclear weapons	**6** **1986** Star Wars - or peace on earth? Women scientists speak at Trade Union Centre
7 **1986** Wallasey CND public meeting on Namibia/nuclear power/weapons links	**8**	**9**	**10** **1916** Nationwide campaign as Ernest Everett given two years hard labour for refusing military service	**11** **1916** Mary Bamber urges women workers to join unions and fight for higher wages	**12**	**13** **1962** Pat Arrowsmith arrested at dockside meeting on nuclear disarmament
14 **1984** CND 'surround and decorate' US base at Burtonwood. Peace camp set up	**15** HILLSBOROUGH DAY	**16**	**17** **1951** Seven dockers (three from Merseyside) cleared of 'conspiracy to incite a strike' (wartime regulation 1305)	**18** PUBLIC HOLIDAY	**19**	**20** **1942** Liverpool's Marjorie Whittles is the first woman registered as 'unconditional' conscientious objector
21 PUBLIC HOLIDAY **2010** *Picasso: Peace and Freedom* exhibition opens at Liverpool Tate gallery	**22**	**23** **1919** Protest march by unemployed demobilised soldiers	**24**	**25** **1919** Arnold Yates, bookseller, seen with leaflets addressed to sailors advocating revolution	**26**	**27**
28 WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY **1962** 80 Ban the Bomb demonstrators sit down outsideTown Hall in protest at US H-bomb test	**29**	**30** **1919** Public meeting denounces continued conscription now war is over	 **2007** Picasso's Guernica inspires Stop the War exhibition *(1st Dec)*	 **2003** Sitdown in Castle Street		



Peace, Jobs and Freedom - detail from the wall at the former Herculaneum Dock, Liverpool
(Image: Alan Murray)

MAY 2014

Also in this month... **1916** Quakers organise visits to conscientious objectors in prison: *'many suffered imprisonment and torture'* **1826** Reported that Liverpool Peace Society has been formed **2009** Play *Seven Jewish children* performed by Liverpool Network Theatre *(19th)* **1949** Paul Robeson visits Liverpool and sings to 10,000 crowd in Lord Street *(7th)*

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 **1983** Rock around Brocklebank Dock *(8th Nov)*			1 **MAY DAY** **1974** News from Nowhere, radical bookshop, opens	2 **1984** Gordon Nash begins 100-hour Fast for Life at opening of Garden Festival	3 **1916** Allan Laing and Andrew White arrested with anti-conscription leaflets, jailed for a month	4 **1914** Liverpool Peace Society distribute anti-conscription leaflet
5 **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**	6 **1983** John Hamilton, socialist and pacifist, becomes leader of Liverpool City Council	7 **1916** Joint Labour and Trades Council meeting opposes conscription	8	9	10 **1919** Arnold Yates, bookseller, fined £250 for possessing leaflets 'To British sailors' advocating revolution	11 **1985** CND 'Break the Nuclear Chain' demo at Capenhurst nuclear plant
12	13 **1985** Nine women pay 'Capenhurst fines' to SWAPO in Namibia and are jailed	14 **1950** Eight peace activists arrested protesting at military parade at Anglican Cathedral	15 **INTERNATIONAL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS DAY**	16 **2011** First meeting of No-CON-census to protest at Lockheed-Martin processing census forms	17	18
19 **1958** Trades Council host public meeting with Peggy Duff of Peace Pledge Union	20 **1940** Inaugural meeting of Quaker Pacifist Service Unit	21	22 **1987** Blockade of Capenhurst nuclear plant	23 **2006** Protest at Inland Revenue *"Taxes for war - money down the drain"*	24 **INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY FOR PEACE AND DISARMAMENT** **1983** CND demonstrate at Seaforth docks against supplies imported for US Burtonwood base	25 **1985** 'Bread not Bombs' march from Anglican Cathedral to St. George's Hall
26 **PUBLIC HOLIDAY**	27	28 **1984** *Frankie Goes to Hollywood* release single *Two Tribes*	29	30 **1959** 100 attend Pier Head meeting of Merseyside Hydrogen Bomb Protest Committee	31 **1983** Liverpool activists arrested at 4-day peace blockade of USAF Upper Heyford	



Union of opposites - this is about joining rival pairs to symbolise harmony; reconciliation of disharmony and disagreement. The two triangles represent the snow topped mountains, the purity of gold the luminous shining timeless quality of consciousness & the lotus flower symbolises beauty and spirituality. (Image: Eimear Kavanagh)

JUNE 2014

Also in this month... **1915** Carl Bartels, German designer of the Liver Birds, is interned on the Isle of Man **1918** Liverpool Peace Society donate to conscientious objectors' dependants' fund *(12th)* **1937** Basque children (refugees from Spanish civil war) welcomed in Liverpool and Birkenhead *(20th)*

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30	 **2008** Cry Havoc and release the doves of peace *(17th)*			**1988** Love-all at 'Cancerhurst' tennis *(3rd July)* 		**1** **2010** Demonstration supporting the Gaza Freedom Flotilla
2	**3**	**4** INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE CHILDREN AS VICTIMS OF WAR	**5** **1982** Meeting of Merseyside Ad Hoc Committee for Peace in the South Atlantic	**6**	**7**	**8** **1916** Royal proclamation halts Liverpool dock strike and imposes arbitration
9 **1914** National Peace Congress held in Liverpool *(until 12th)*	**10**	**11** **1947** Quakers challenge Government's stance on conscription	**12** **1957** First meeting of Merseyside Hydrogen Bomb Protest Committee (forerunner of CND)	**13** **2006** Anti-war play *Ten Tiny Toes*, set in Liverpool, opens at Everyman theatre	**14**	**15**
16	**17** **2008** Doves released at St Georges Hall to mark 100th British soldier's death in Afghanistan	**18** **1937** Merseyside Left Theatre perform Spanish civil war plays *'Guernica'* and *'Spain'*	**19**	**20** **1958** M'side Hydrogen Bomb Protest Committee launch street petition against nuclear weapons	**21**	**22**
23	**24**	**25** **1960** Michael Foot addresses Trades Council/ Labour Party, calls for nuclear weapons to be banned	**26** INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR VICTIMS OF TORTURE	**27** **1935** Nationwide Peace Ballot: over 11 million vote for arms reduction	**28** **1948** 'State of Emergency' declared to stop unofficial dock strike	**29** **1983** Liverpool Women for Peace visit Peace Camp at USAF Upper Heyford base



Conditions at the hastily-converted Huyton internment camp became a national disgrace. Hugo Drachinger, a German inmate, painted *Men Washing Outdoors* on the Manchester Guardian of 20 July 1940. (Image: Liverpool museums)

JULY 2014

Also in this month... **1911** Liverpool stonemason Fred Bower publishes *'Don't Shoot'*, an open letter to soldiers *(29th)* **1848** 500 dockers refuse to become special constables and are dismissed from their jobs *(29th)* **1955** Quakers demand of American consul in Liverpool that atomic bomb tests be stopped

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 **2007** Stok's John Lennon	**1**	**2**	**3** **1988** Snowball picnic and tennis games at Capenhurst nuclear plant: 5 arrests	**4** **1969** John Lennon's *Give Peace a Chance* released in UK	**5** **1986** *Declaration of British Independence* at US Burtonwood base	**6** **1958** Open-air rally greets peace marchers from Hull
7 **1940** Inmates at Huyton internment camp demand MPs visit to view appalling conditions	**8** **1986** M'side Women for Peace cycle-ride to London to protest French nuclear tests *(Day 2)*	**9**	**10** **1940** Sidney Silverman speaks out against indiscriminate internment of refugees	**11**	**12** **1916** Glasgow anti-war trade unionists given freedom of Liverpool Trades Council	**13**
14 **1984** Christian groups leaflet Billy Graham Anfield rallies: *'Blessed are the Peacemakers'*	**15** **1987** Activists break into Capenhurst nuclear plant and disable vehicles	**16**	**17** **1917** War poet Siegfried Sassoon throws his Military Cross ribbon into the Mersey at Formby beach	**18** **1937** Merseyside Spanish Aid Committee public meeting in Picton Hall	**19**	**20**
21	**22**	**23**	**24**	**25**	**26**	**27**
28	**29** **1922** 'No More War' march of over 5,000 to Sheil Park and evening stadium rally	**30** **1996** Ploughshares activists acquitted at Crown Court after damaging Hawk fighter aircraft	**31**	**2013** Pax Christi at Menwith Hill *(4th)* 		



No More Hiroshimas - the Merseyside march of 6 August 1983 - wearing white, the Japanese colour of mourning
(image: Merseyside CND)

AUGUST 2014

Also in this month... **1917** Conscientious objectors in Liverpool prison produce regular newsletter *Walton Leader*
1984 CND *Peace Fast* infiltrates the Japanese Garden at the Garden Festival *(6th)*
1987 CND four-day 50-mile 'Walk for Life' *(6th to 9th)*

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 **2010** Bedding in on Church Street *(27th)* **1987** CND 4-day Walk for Life *(6th to 9th)* 				**1** **1918** Conscientious objector Fenner Brockway leads ten-day defiance of Liverpool prison rules	**2** **1914** Liverpool Central Labour Club passes resolution against the coming war	**3**
4 **1995** Postal workers from Liverpool organise three lorryloads of 'Aid for Bosnia'	**5** **1914** Labour complaints that *'greedy and grasping members of the capitalist class are enriching themselves'*	**6** HIROSHIMA DAY **1961** Demonstration at Liverpool cenotaph by CND, Womens International League and Quakers	**7** **1914** Quakers issue appeal not to join the armed forces	**8** **1985** CND *Fast for Life* Camp in St John's Gardens *(Day 3 of 4)*	**9** NAGASAKI DAY **1980** 600 join first demonstration of Merseyside Action for Peace	**10** **1914** Reported that a Dale Street cafe does not allow musicians to play patriotic music
11	**12** **1943** 400 dockers start *'unconstitutional'* strike *(Royal Engineers called in on 16th)*	**13**	**14**	**15** **1911** Michael Prendergast and John Sutcliffe shot by troops during transport strike	**16**	**17** **1920** Council of Action formed to oppose war with Russia
18 **1956** Bernard Leake, Quaker, jailed for three months for refusing military service	**19**	**20** **1909** Suffragette Georgina Healiss receives 'Victoria Cross' medal after prison hunger strike	**21**	**22**	**23** SLAVERY REMEMBRANCE DAY	**24**
25 PUBLIC HOLIDAY **1948** Olaf Stapledon (author) attends World Congress of Intellectuals for Peace	**26** **1917** Tom Mann addresses warehouse workers, calls for 6-hour day and £3 pw min wage	**27** **2010** John and Yoko lookalikes bed in on Church Street - *'Give Gaza a chance'*	**28** **1917** Albert Mann, conscientious objector, completes 3-month sentence and is immediately detained again	**29** **2013** City centre leafleting against British attack on Syria	**30**	**31**

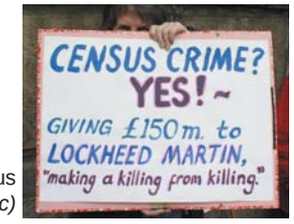


Demonstrations against nuclear weapons forced the 1960 Labour Party Scarborough conference to call for unilateral nuclear disarmament (image: Merseyside CND)

SEPTEMBER 2014

Also in this month... **1940** Conscientious objectors endure army brutality in Dingle Vale school detention camp **1961** George Melly among 1,319 arrested at Committee of 100 Trafalgar Square sitdown against nuclear weapons *(17th)* **2007** First Peace and Ecology Festival held in St John's Gardens *(22nd)*

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1 **2008** Tony Benn addresses Stop the War meeting in Vauxhall	**2** **1985** *'Brave Defender - Grave Defender'* - CND actions against civil defence propaganda	**3** **1942** 420 Chinese sailors strike for two weeks demanding war risk bonus	**4** **1984** Women break into Capenhurst nuclear plant, damage equipment and steal plans	**5** **1914** Edmund Morel is one of four founders of anti-war Union of Democratic Control	**6**	**7**
8 **1914** Liverpool Labour declines to support 'all-party' recruitment rally	**9**	**10** **1942** 18 West African sailors jailed for a month for striking for higher pay	**11** **1942** Ralph Gordon and Thomas Steen get 6 months hard labour for refusing military service	**12** **2011** Pax Christi demonstrate on St Luke's steps against arms sales to Middle East	**13** **1973** 200 protest at Chilean consulate after Pinochet coup in Chile *(on 11th)*	**14**
15	**16** **1939** Mary Taylor begins solitary march to London with banner appealing to stop the war	**17** **1960** March through city organised by Merseyside CND	**18** **2010** BNP leader Nick Griffin forced out of Church Street by Unite Against Fascism	**19** **2006** Stop the War 'orange suit' protest against Starbucks opening a branch in Guantanamo Bay	**20** **1985** CND demonstrate at Prime Minister's visit to Capenhurst nuclear plant	**21** **UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE**
22 **2001** Merseyside Against Detention protest outside Liverpool prison in support of jailed refugees	**23** **1985** 11 activists at court after first Snowball fence-cutting at Burtonwood the day before	**24** **1944** Anti-Labour Laws Victims' Defence Committee meeting at Engineers Hall	**25**	**26**	**27** **1985** Regular Friday morning vigils begin at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**28** **1936** Start of Peace Week (organised by M'side Peace Council)
29 **1983** Alan Bleasdale and Bruce Kent address CND rally in St George's Hall	**30** **1917** Mary Bamber addresses Sheil Park public meeting on scandal of high food prices	**2012** Support at court for census refuseniks *(19th Oct, 8th Dec)*				







Free Enterprise - one of many entries in Stop the War's Al-turnertive Prize art competition in 2007 (Image: Peter Offord)

OCTOBER 2014

Also in this month... **1917** Birkenhead war poet Wilfred Owen writes *Anthem for Doomed Youth and Dulce et Decorum est* **2007** Nina Edge's 'Habeas Corpus' orange suits enliven Turner Prize art exhibition opening at Tate gallery *(19th)* **1982** Four-day People's March for Jobs and Peace from Birkenhead - Manchester, joined en route by feeder march from Skelmersdale *(26th to 29th)*

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2011/2012 Pax Christi against drones *(8th, 24th)* 	**1**	**2**	**3** **1960** Liverpool activists join CND at Labour Party conference in Scarborough	**4** **1936** Peace Week ends with 3000-strong march to rally addressed by Sylvia Pankhurst	**5**	
6 **1995** Ken Loach's film *Land and Freedom* about Liverpool volunteer in Spanish civil war	**7** **1995** Wallasey CND hold petition against landmines	**8** **2013** Pax Christi leaflet highlights Liverpool University's role in drone research	**9** **1958** Liverpool petition against nuclear weapons has 10,000 signatures	**10** **1937** Fascist rally at Queens Drive halted when Oswald Mosley is struck by a stone	**11** **1953** Communist rally demands troop withdrawal from Korea, Malaya, Kenya, Egypt, British Guiana	**12** **1974** Rick Walker arrested for BWNIC leaflet *Some information for discontented soldiers*
13 **1916** 3 conscientious objectors tell Birkenhead court-martial of army brutality, jailed for two years	**14** **1939** Mary Taylor leads 80-strong womens demonstration against war	**15**	**16**	**17** **2007** Liverpool City Council calls on its pension fund to disinvest from arms trade	**18** **1757** Anti-militia riot on day of Mayoral election closes city centre	**19** **2012** Andrew Manifold fined for refusing to complete the 2011 census (anti-war protest)
20	**21** **1916** 20 dockers fined for striking against dangerous work practices	**22** **1983** CND fill two trains and numerous buses to national demo	**23**	**24** UNITED NATIONS DAY **2012** Pax Christi demonstrate against drones at University	**25**	**26** SUMMER TIME ENDS **1985** *'Human Race or Nuclear Race'* - Merseysiders join national CND demo in London
27 **1968** 150 Liverpool students join anti-Vietnam war march in London	**28**	**29**	**30** **2006** M'side Stop the War public meeting with Tony Benn and Palestinian trade unionist	**31** **1961** Sydney Silverman calls Prime Minster a *'bloody fool'* in Commons nuclear weapons debate	**2007** Habeas corpus suits take out Turner Prize *(19th)* 	



Lest we forget - white poppies have been worn since 1934 by those who want peace
(image: Peace Pledge Union)

NOVEMBER 2014

Also in this month... **1914** Five Liverpudlians among original membership of No Conscription Fellowship **2003** Doctors Janet Price and Lis Davidson of 'Conscience' campaign pay taxes with bloodstained cheques in protest at Iraq war *(10th)* **2006** Six members of Kings Liverpool regiment, executed in WW1, receive posthumous pardon *(8th)*

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 **2012** Women Defending Children *(17th)*			**1969** Vietnam War protest *(15th)* 		**1** **1986** 70 arrests at 'Snowball' fence-cutting actions at Capenhurst and Burtonwood	**2** **1984** Capenhurst blockade in protest against illegal use of Namibian Uranium
3	**4** **2013** First meeting of new 'Close Capenhurst' campaign	**5** **1934** University Anti-War Society reports *'the support of many students who are opposed to war'*	**6**	**7**	**8** **1983** 24-hour 'peace picket' of Brocklebank Dock and vigil at Burtonwood	**9** **1934** Bootle Council resolution against Incitement to Disaffection Bill
10 **1934** Daily Post carries Quaker *'Call to complete disarmament'*	**11** **1921** Unemployed workers demonstrate at Armistice Day parade	**12**	**13** **1982** Womens peace camp set up at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**14** **1957** 300 attend showing of film *Children of Hiroshima*	**15** **1969** Merseyside Committee for Peace in Vietnam carry coffin to Pier Head vigi	**16** **1985** Plaque unveiled to 27 Merseyside volunteers who died fighting for the republic in Spanish civil war
17 **2012** Women Defending Children vigil on Church Street	**18**	**19**	**20**	**21** **1959** Merseyside Film Institute show film at Philharmonic of first Aldermaston march	**22**	**23**
24	**25** **1969** John Lennon returns MBE to Buckingham Palace	**26** **1990** The Farm release single *'All Together Now - in No Man's Land'*	**27**	**28**	**29** **2007** M'ide Stop the War exhibits 'Al-Turnertive' artwork for peace in five city galleries	**30**



New World Dream - a refection upon the centenary of World War One, influenced by World War One painters (Image: John O'Neill)

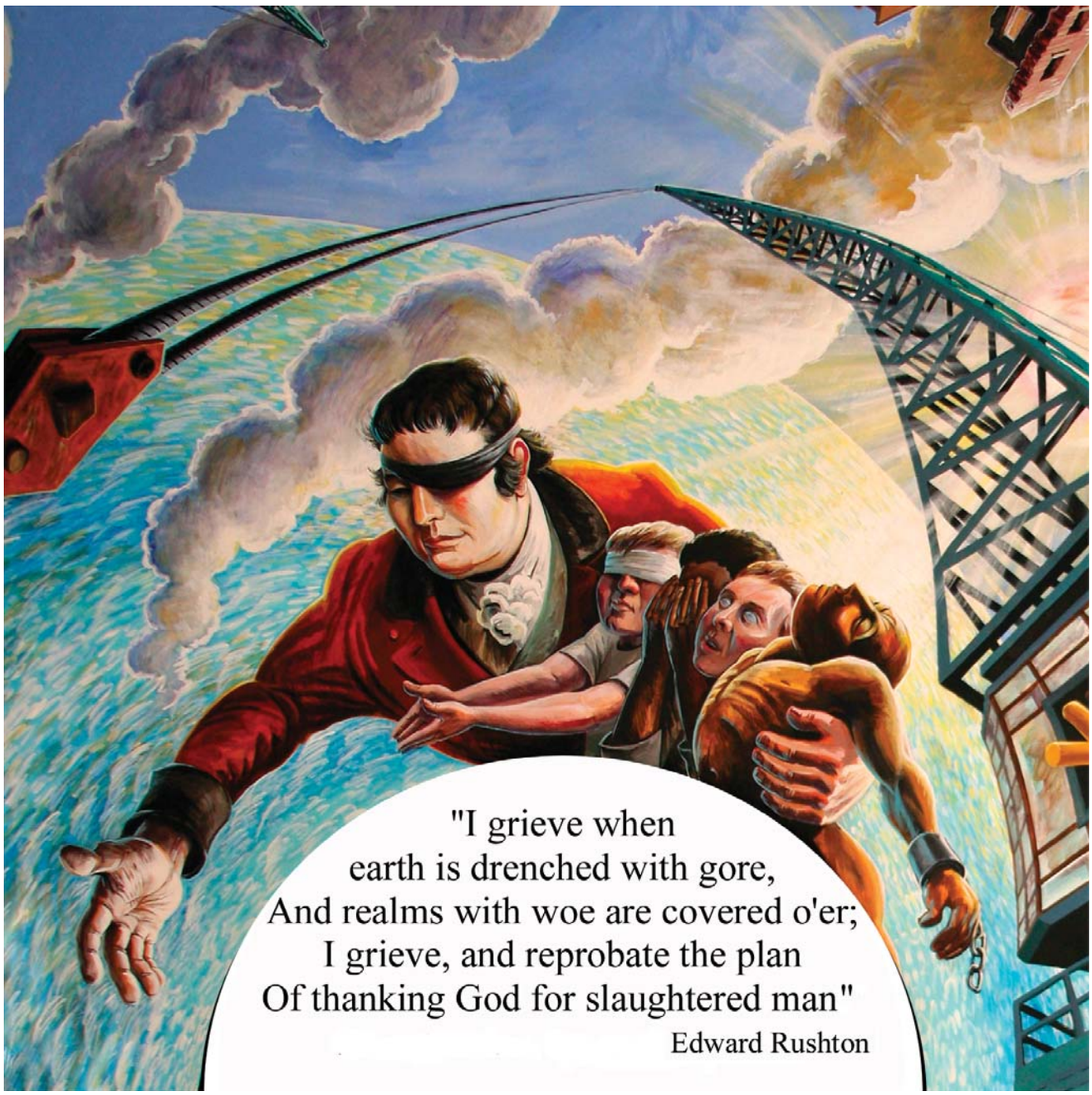
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Also in this month... **1914** Liverpool Peace Society letter calls for a European Federation as a way of avoiding war *(31st)* **1949** Quakers call for *'a deliberate and substantial reduction in the armed forces of Great Britain'* **1980** CND produces *Liverpool's Bumper Book of Bombs - Shock Facts, Fun and Info*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 **2007** M'side Stop the War award 'Al-Turnertive' prize for anti-war artwork	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7** **1964** Merseybeat stages *The Night the Bomb Dropped* at Cavern club
8 **2011** Sarah Ledsom in court for not completing census form in protest at arms trade	**9** **1961** Committee of 100 sitdown in Manchester. 161 arrests, Sydney Lancaster and 10 others jailed	**10** HUMAN RIGHTS DAY **1975** British Withdrawal from Northern Ireland 14 (inc two Liverpudlians) acquitted of Incitement to Disaffection	**11** **1982** 'No Cruise' roadside demonstration along Queen's Drive	**12** **1938** Merseyside Spain Aid Committee ship takes supplies to Spanish republicans	**13**	**14** **1983** City Council resolves not to discipline any worker arrested at Greenham Common
15	**16**	**17** **1942** Gordon Sainty and Thomas Young exempted from military service only if they become coalminers	**18** **1983** 100 'decorate' the fence in candle-lit vigil at Capenhurst nuclear plant	**19**	**20**	**21** **1983** Lesley Westbury jailed for 60 days for actions at Greenham Common
22	**23**	**24**	**25** PUBLIC HOLIDAY **1914** Widespread Christmas truce in Western Front trenches	**26** PUBLIC HOLIDAY **1959** 70 marchers against nuclear weapons leave Liverpool for Hull	**27**	**28** **1996** Seven activists bury 'Timorese child's coffin' at BAe Warton where Hawk planes are made
29	**30**	**31** **2008** Church Street vigil protests against Israeli attack on Gaza	 **1980** Liverpool's Bumper Book of Bombs			

2007 Vigil for Gaza *(31st)*





Edward Rushton of Liverpool was a blind poet, revolutionary republican and anti-slavery fighter. In 2014, the 200th anniversary of his death, John Graham Davies and James Quinn are producing a new play telling his story. *'Unsung'* is sponsored by DaDaFest. The Nerve website will carry full details.

Image: Mike Jones' mural in the former Trade Union and Unemployed Centre on Hardman Street