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Kinnock's trouble with Left - and Ron Todd - continues.

Todd thrown 30 pieces of silver - 5p coins, by moderate union leaders incensed at his treachery.

But Todd is unrepentant. And he returns to attack today to try to preserve Labour's unilateralist stance. Vote is seen as a cliffhanger. Guardian foreshadows defeat for Kinnock.

Left win in debate over Employment Training - the conference votes to boycott against Kinnock's wishes.

Sun discovers that an Oxford graduate "yuppie" wrote Ron Todd's speech; he was fired by Department of Employment for leaking to Time Out.

Dennis Skinner MP elected Labour Party Chairman.

Compromise in black sections: party allows informal coloured groups.

John Smith walks out of LBC interview when asked if he would bring in wealth tax, and abolish private health care and public schools.

EC Commissioner, Stanley Clinton Davis, claims you have hampered moves against air and water pollution - accuses you of "gesture politics".

Chilean opposition claims win over Pinochet in plebiscite.

Government extends ban on drinking in public places to 7 more towns.

Customs officers questioning crew of coaster after chase from Holland across Channel.

Mail says, after MMC BP decision, Kuwaitis feel as if they have been kicked in the teeth and its hard not to have some sympathy for them.

MMC to inquire into petrol price fixing; AA wants price cut by 10p a gallon.

Jaguar strike bound over production schedules.

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Rolls Royce sells 10% stake in RB 211 to Japanese after Government reluctance to provide launch aid.

Number of foreign tourists in Britain increased by 7% to July on 1987.

Today says that so far 12,000 have been sacked in City after Stock Market collapse; total could reach 38,000 next year.

Nurses set their sights on similar wages to those of police and firemen.

House prices at peak in relation to income, according to Nationwide Building Society.

Guardian says Treasury is growing alarmed - for reasons of expenditure control - over plan to encourage private sector to invest in NHS.

Russian doctor in Birmingham says doctors should be paid by results; NHS offers no incentives.

Leader of ILEA suggests teachers should be paid by results, too, to distress of Fred Jarvis, NUT.

Herts CC to keep file on number and nature of racist incidents in school classes, starting with children of 3.

35,000 firearms handed to police during amnesty.

~~Row~~ over lenient sentences, maximum 2.5 years, against clergymen and others in church vice ring with boys; Sun says Judge stands convicted of providing little more than a charter for perverts.

Lord Gifford appointed by Liverpool City Council to inquire into policing and law enforcement in Toxteth.

Sir Jack Smart becomes first health authority chairman to be sacked after being condemned for aggressive leadership.

BBC to show SAS/Northern Ireland documentary on October 17.

Joint denominational - Protestant and Catholic - schools to be promoted in Northern Ireland in change of Government policy (Guardian).

Telegraph feature sees you as a modern Machiavelli using fear as a powerful weapon.

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Oxford negotiating to set up a college in Japan, the first outside city since university's formation 800 years ago.

Russia's deputy Prime Minister Gorshkov, leading cultural and trade delegation in Birmingham, says he thinks you do a lot for the prosperity of Britain.

Mail report says Gorbachev's sweeping new reforms owe more to Thatcherism than Socialism.

Two bombs damage married quarters at British base in Cyprus; no-one hurt.

Bush and Dukakis running neck and neck in polls; some suggest Quayle is hurting Bush.

Express uses Lord Havers' "review" of Turnbull book as a low key news story.

Duke McKenzie, of Croydon, new world flyweight boxing champion.

Labour Conference Comment

Mirror leader says there is no future in the Labour Party for people like Ron Todd who want to live in the past, and who is working to give you a live tenancy in No 10.

Today calls on Ron Todd to wake up. The sad thing is that he probably doesn't understand the contradiction between what he does himself and what he says is right for others.

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Jon Akass, Express, says yesterday on the face of it was a dreadful day for Kinnock. In the shambles TGWU has never looked more apart.

In a feature, Robert Gibson, Express political editor, asks if there is nothing Kinnock won't say to get into No 10. He concludes that what Kinnock is up to is to devise a short term, saleable policy which will enable him, by getting elected, to achieve his unchanged long term socialist aims.

Mail leader on John Smith's walkout from LBC interview, says he was asked perfectly reasonable questions. Glasnost may be good enough for Gorbachev but not for "honest" John Smith.

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Paul Johnson, in Mail, says defence is not the only issue on which Ron Todd thinks Kinnock will rat. the truth is that Kinnock's position, half way between socialism and capitalism, contains too many contradictions. The Kinnock con trick as at present conceived just will not work. Intended to deceive everybody, it will deceive nobody.

Telegraph leader says it is Labour's misfortune that without unions' money and organisational backing it is too weak to mobilise in pursuit of power. And Todd, with his freudian slip over cordless telephones, has shown his union in its true colours - against new technology and new thinking.

Guardian reports that Ron Todd believes that the party leadership's entourage has abandoned principles for presentation. He feels neglected. It also reveals that Todd's speech was written by an ex-Department of Employment official who was sacked for leaking a document to Time Out.

Times leader says if any good is to come from the latest public relations fiasco it will be a boost for the campaign for the trade union block vote to be phased out.