

The day I joined the Clown Newspaper

were cobbled out of what seemed like thin air to fill a needed space.

The newspaper is highly organised. The people I met there were mostly educated, dedicated and, at least when there was a deadline approaching, hard-working. They never seemed bothered that they spent their days shovelling filth and dirt. I went in with pristine ethics, but after a few days I began to stink as much as them. What was perhaps most disturbing, is that after a while I began not to notice or care.

This stench of hypocrisy was often overwhelming. These people are lecturing us on how

"After a few days I too began to stink" _

to live, and telling us what are the rights and responsibilities of people living in the West, but they do not live up to their purported ethics.

Forget that they write endless articles about the unconstrained vanity of celebrities while themselves being Botoxed to the eyeballs (or rather, crown of their heads- one more facelift and half the women will have to start shaving).

Forget that they warn on the dangers of drug abuse while themselves indulging in cocaine abuse that would make a City trader blanche.

Forget their condemnation of financial chicanery while pumping stocks their paper owns.

Instead, **concentrate** on the disgusting wars they have, through their willing parroting of Government lies, encouraged. This has pushed our Armed Forces into harm's way and yet these papers now campaign for medals for the soldiers they helped send into Afghanistan and Iraq!

Instead, **concentrate** on the crass consumerism they peddle, while occasionally running stories about saving this or that example of charismatic megafauna.

Instead, **concentrate** on their continued role in casting doubt on the overwhelming evidence for climate change, and the succour they give to people too rich or too stupid to take action that might avert the worst catastrophes.

Mighty Wurlitzer is a term used to describe the systematic, covert manipulation of the media by U.S. intelligence agencies. The name is a [word picture](#) derived from the nickname for the "Wurlitzer" [pipe organ](#), a device that uses a central console to synchronize the playing of music by various instruments around the room.

"Journalism And The CIA: The Mighty Wurlitzer" by Daniel Brandt, NameBase NewsLine, April-June 1997

www.freedomofthepress.net/journalismandthecia/themightywurlitzer.htm

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- **Get into an affinity group**, whether it's for cooking, researching or for things the State doesn't need to know about till it reads about it (or, given what we've seen this last week, *writes about it*), in the Daily Hate Mail.
- Read the Financial Times; it's the only honest paper...
- Read Private Eye's Street of Shame
- Support the work of www.medialens.org

The "Zinoviev Letter" is thought to have been instrumental in the Conservative Party's victory in the United Kingdom general election, 1924, which ended the country's first Labour government.

In 1999, an official enquiry finally determined that the letter had probably been a concoction by elements of the SIS (MI6) based in Riga, Latvia to help the Conservatives defeat Labour in the 1924 election.

The letter was allegedly addressed from Grigori Zinoviev, president of Communist International (Comintern), and Arthur MacManus, the British representative, to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Great Britain. It purported to advocate intensified Communist agitation in Britain, not least in the armed forces.

Published in the conservative British *Daily Mail* newspaper four days before the election, the letter came at a sensitive time also in relations between Britain and the Soviet Union, owing to Conservative opposition to the forthcoming parliamentary ratification of the Anglo-Soviet trade agreement.